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OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Oct. A. D. 1888.
RODNEY N. HALL, Executor on the estate of Robert Stallings, late of Paris, in said County, deceased, having presented his account of administration of the estate of said deceased for allowance:
ORDERED, That the said Executor give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the OXFORD DEMOCRAT, printed at Paris, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, in said County, on the third Tuesday of Nov. next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed.
GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.
A true Copy—Attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD, ss.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Oct. A. D. 1888.
On the petition of Wm. L. Grover, Administrator of the estate of Samuel Warren, late of Waterford, in said County, deceased, praying for license to sell and convey certain real estate situated in Albany, in said County, and fully described in his petition on file in the Probate office, for the payment of debts and charges, said sale to be at public or private sale.
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Plow the Orchard.

Much of the popular teaching has been (on paper) never to plow the orchard after the trees have attained considerable size and come into bearing condition. "The plow cuts off much of the root growth," the story goes, "and works great injury to the trees. Better far to top dress or pasture to sheep and let the trees remain in grass."

It never was our luck to be on the popular side. For some reason we always have to look on, as opportunity offers, and see how the thing works. That bounteous crops of apples can be grown with the trees in grass we have seen proved. At the same time we have noted far more of success, a more continuous and bountiful production of fruit, where the orchard was plowed and manured in frequent rotation. From years of observation, and something of experience, we confidently claim an orchard will show no injury from proper plowing, but, on the contrary, that on land suited to the plow this is the cheapest and most effectual way of sustaining the health and thrift of the trees, and keeping them up to a bountiful production. Fruit is what we are after, and we want it often. Put the plow in, then, and stir up the soil. No matter if roots are cut off, the tree will not be injured thereby any more than by the removal of a limb in pruning. With the plowing apply manure of some kind, in small quantity, and note the marvelous effect. It is fruit that is wanted, not grass and a light manuring will work good results where the grass is turned under. Better to manure lightly and plow often than to apply bountifully, thinking to continue the benefits of a single application through a series of years. We never have seen an orchard injured from plowing only in the mind of a sensitive theorist.

Pasturing to sheep is well as far as it goes, but in a long run is not sufficient to keep production up to its possible certainty and frequency, unless there is a wide run outside the orchard enclosure and the flocks huddle among the trees. We were forcibly impressed with the correctness of the ground here taken on passing, a few days since, the well known "True orchard," in the town of Wayne. The last time previously we had passed this orchard it had been pastured for several years with sheep. The foliage was looking pale and sickly, and the orchard throughout wore a discouraged and decaying look, and with only here and there a few straggling apples upon the trees. Since that this orchard has changed hands, and is now owned by that active and enterprising farmer, B. F. Maxim of that town. Mr. Maxim has put in the plow and stirred up the soil of the entire orchard, and though a crop of grain was taken off the present season, yet the whole orchard apparently is red with its bountiful fruit. No doubt this great change could have been brought about by top dressing, but it would have been far more costly. Too much of the surface application goes to feed the grass only, while the trees are left to starve. The sod needs to be broken, and the fertilizer of whatever kind put into the soil where the rootlets of the trees can find it. Don't be afraid of plowing the orchard, only do it carefully and properly.—*Maine Farmer.*

Fall Plowing.

As we have previously stated, there is a great difference in opinion as well as practice in regard to plowing ground which has no sod, in the fall. The nature of the soil and its situation in regard to slope and liability to be crossed by streams from higher ground must be considered, but there is one argument that is often advanced that seems to have less value in practice than in theory; that is, that soil plowed in the fall will become so hard that it must be plowed again in the spring to be made suitable for the seed. There is little chance of working the soil too much, but it is a fact that some of the most successful wheat growers in New England, when wheat was grown here more extensively than it is now, were in the habit of plowing their ground late in the fall and harrowing it down all ready to sow, and sowing the wheat as soon as the ground was thawed in the spring deep enough to cover it. The present custom in the great spring wheat section of the West is to start the plows as soon as the grain is out of the way, often in July, and nothing more is done to it till the seed is sown and harrowed over, not always harrowed in, in the spring. While it is perhaps probable that the crop would be increased by another plowing, if it could be done in season, it seems to have been settled by experience that earliness is of more importance. The writer has talked with threshers in New England and in the West, and they agree in the statement that early sown grain yields the best, and in some cases that sown very early will yield a third more than that sown a month later. These results have been noted in wheat, oats and barley. Rye is not so extensively grown, but it is remembered that old farmers used to say if they could not sow rye in April it was of little use to sow it.

In view of all these facts it seems safe and proper to get the soil as near ready for grain in the fall as can be done properly. Much ground will be too wet to plow this fall unless there is a dry time before winter, but dry soil can be prepared, and much time and labor in the spring can be saved. With the improved harrows now in use, ground that is plowed late and left in the furrow can easily be reduced to fine condition, and the extra freezing it will get in that rough condition will aid in its pulverization and destroy many insects.—*Mirror and Farmer.*

Pigs and Pumpkins.

The question is often asked: "How can I manage not to keep my pigs on an exclusive corn diet when there isn't an acre of clover on the farm?" and, by the way, this is the condition of the majority of farmers, or, if there is clover it is the meadow, and not available for hog pasturing purposes.

There is an easy way to surmount this difficulty so far as fall feeding is concerned, and that is by raising pumpkins to feed along with the corn. Give the pigs all they will eat, and you will be surprised to see how many they will stow away, and how they will thrive upon this mixed diet, for they will eat about as much corn as if there were no pumpkins, but it will be digested better, and by this, as well as for the actual nutriment contained in them, the pumpkins will prove a very profitable crop. Don't forget to give the horned cattle a good supply of them while they are going, too, for they will be put to good use. It is too late to make any provision in this line now, but don't forget in the spring that a crop of pumpkins does not detract from the corn but will add much to the health and growth of pigs and cattle if fed them liberally.—*Western Farmer*

Do not have many vegetables put into the house cellar, and also try to arrange some method of ventilating it on a mild day in winter. The damp "cellary" smell that rushes up into some houses every time some one goes down cellar for a dish of apples or a pan of potatoes, is a warning that the conditions are ripening for a variety of ailments later in the season. Now that one or more fires are keep constantly burning in the house a caution about the disposition of the ashes is timely. Do not take them up in pans and set them in the wood house or pour them into boxes or barrels. The next housekeeper takes the ashes from the stoves before the fires are lighted in the morning; this is also the safest way as there is less liability that a live coal may smoulder and kindle a flame, but even ashes supposed to be cold are not to be trusted, and if stored should be put in some receptacle at a distance from any building.

Fifteen thousand acres of land are submerged in the canton of St. Gall, Switzerland. The crops are destroyed, and many villages have been abandoned.

Fine, silky hair on an animal indicates that it will fatten readily, while coarse, stiff hair indicates the reverse.

Impure Water.

This subject is not new, and perhaps most people think they have heard all that can be said on it, and no doubt feel as if they had heard enough; but there is need of agitation as long as there is so much careless management in this direction as there is at present. A man may be careful about the immediate surroundings of his well, keep it covered, and clean it out every year, and yet the water may be made unfit for use in many ways. Some farmers excavate a tank in or near the barnyard to hold water, and into this they dump all kinds or rubbish and animal matter to decay and become fit for plant food; and as water finds its level in due time there is too much probability that the vacuum in the well will be supplied from the higher water in these tanks. It is well known that drains four feet deep take the water from the soil from several rods away, and as it is a rule of practical engineers that the depth of drains should be increased with their distance apart, it is fair to expect that a well twenty-five feet deep will have channels of communication with water supplies at a great distance. The water from sinkspouts where it is deposited in the same place for many years is liable to get into the well if it is as near as most wells are to houses. The common manure heap, thrown out without absorbents, furnishes much surplus fluid that usually goes into the soil and then is lost sight of, but is still at work.

The writer has in two cases helped to dig cellars where barns had stood many years, and at the depth of four or five feet little water courses or veins were found where the soil was highly colored with the fluid that had passed down, and the bank of soil which was left at that depth would in a few days be covered with crystals of nitre that had been drawn from the soil by evaporation. And here we will say that this fact is no argument in favor of the theory of the strength of manure leaching into the soil in a plowed field, for the conditions are all entirely different. But it shows something of the course and action of such liquid in the soil where the supply is continuous for a long time, and the movement is not disturbed by evaporation or by the plow, and gives good cause to think whether the well will be reached by any of these veins. A good aqueduct from a distant spring furnishes the safest and best supply, and a well-filtered cistern is perhaps next; but without either of these much may be done by constant care and the free use of absorbents wherever there is any waste water of a foul nature. Do not think that a polluted well is good enough for the cattle to drink from as long as they will drink it, for the disease will get into the family through the milk, and the young stock will sicken and die mysteriously, and tuberculosis or cotton-seed meal will be accused of it. It is a good time now to arrange for protection of the wells at least.

Apple Pomace for Cattle.

About three years ago I began feeding my cows cider apples. We gathered them and just before feeding them ran them through a root-cutter which broke up all the big apples which might choke the stock. I found them in a few days improving in the quality and quantity of milk. Last year I repeated the feeding, having a large quantity of apples. After they were exhausted I sent a team to the cider mill and drew a load of apple pomace and began feeding it, and found my stock quite as crazy for it as they had been for the apples. I continued it until I fed up a number of tons and found the cows increasing in milk and flesh about the same as when fed on fresh apples. I fed it to my beef cattle also, and to young stock, and saw a decided improvement in their condition. I found it of so much service that I planned to draw it from the cider mill six miles away. The pomace was going to waste and the owner of the mill was glad to give it to me to get it out of the way. I obtained about eighteen tons which I put in one of my silos on top of my corn silage after it had settled. It was placed on top of the planks which covered my silage. As we drew it we packed it down hard and even, and after the eighteen tons were all in we covered it with boards, and straw on top of them. This was in November. The last day of December I opened the pomace and found it as good as the day it was placed there. I began feeding it once a day to the stock—about a peck at a time—and continued it until it was all exhausted. I fed silage once a day, hay once and pomace once. I found good results from its use, and when it was gone the cows did not do quite so well. To the beef cattle I fed hay, silage, pomace and corn meal, and they grew nicely. The cost of the article was nothing except the expense of hauling it, and yet if it were but a mile or two from our home it would have been my chief feed at a dollar or even two dollars per load. The article now can be had free all over the country where there are cider mills; but the time will come when it will be sold freely to those who desire it. I do not think it can take the place of silage, but if a farmer has no silage it will be the next thing to it, as cattle are very fond of it. The pomace was from sweet and sour apples. Doubtless the sweet apples would be best.—Cor. Rural New Yorker.

Crop Returns for October.

The October crop returns, as reported by the statistician of the Department of Agriculture, show that the condition of the present corn crop has been equaled only three times in ten years and has been exceeded materially only by that of 1879, when the condition was 98, and the subsequent ascertained yield 28 bushels by the census of 1880. The present average of condition is 92, against 94 2 in September. There has been some reduction from frost in Northern New England, New York and Michigan. There has been no decline in the Northwest, and the status of the great corn surplus States remains as on the first of September. Bad weather in the South has had a slight effect in reducing condition. The indications favor a result ranging little from 26 bushels to the acre, making a full average. The district of commercial corn gives the following averages; Ohio, 99; Indiana, 98; Illinois, 98; Iowa, 99; Missouri, 92; Kansas, 77; Nebraska, 97. The average of New York is 83; Pennsylvania, 93; Virginia, 86; Kentucky, 95; Tennessee, 86; Georgia, 89; Texas, 94.

The condition of buckwheat has declined from 93 7 last month to 99 1, mainly from the effect of frosts, as this grain is produced only in the higher latitudes. In New York the decline was from 92 to 70, Pennsylvania from 96 to 93, Michigan from 85 to 77.

The average condition of the potato crop is about 87, a decline of less than 4 points. New York stands at 82, Michigan at 83, a decline of 6 and 7 points, respectively.

Tobacco has fully maintained the condition of last month, averaging for all kinds 88 3.

The returns relative to wheat are those of yield per acre by counties. As consolidated, the general average for winter wheat is 12 bushels per acre, and for spring wheat slightly over 10 bushels.

The former has yielded better than the early expectation, the latter much worse. This is of course in measured bushels. The quality is much below the average, which will still farther reduce the supply.—Country Gentleman.

FALL CALVES.—There are some people who have not yet learned that winter is the best time to raise calves. We occasionally hear a man say that he would like to have the cows give milk in winter, "but the calves do not amount to anything." This is one of the errors that is being laid aside. Instead of having them come along in March and April, and having to care for them through the busy spring season, and turning them out to grass to get rid of them before they are old enough to get their living, let them come in the fall or early winter, and give them warm quarters and good care, and they learn to eat hay and meal, and when they come to the barn the second winter they will not have to learn to eat. Fall calves, with the same expense and less trouble, can be made as large and valuable at eighteen as spring calves at two years.—Mirror.

For the Oxford Democrat.

THE OLD HOUSE.

Out in the country amid the green fields
Now lone and deserted it stands;
Nothing cheerful about it except the green trees,
And the views through the intervale lands.
Oh, tumble-down house, what mem'ries to-day
Around me will cluster and dwell,
As in simple verse I try to rehearse
The tale, could you speak you could tell.

What changes have come in the years that have flown,
Some of them sad and some of them gay!
And here, as I write, the winds sigh and moan
Through thy rooms and thy damp halls to-day.
I see there a bride, in her raiment of white,
Before the home ingle now stand,
While to her lover, a brave, gallant Knight,
Most willingly gives she her hand.

And the dear, aged parents, with kind, tearful eyes,
Gazed on that fair daughter and smiled;
And the kind mother said, as she bade them goodbye,
"Oh sir! Be ye good to my child!"
One year passes on, news comes of the loved
That rends their kind hearts, oh so sore!
It tells them the fair child they once loved so well,
They will see on earth nevermore.

Sickness and death and trouble and care
Creep in o'er its worn threshold,
And loved ones are borne through its low wooden doors,—
Fond loved ones so pale and so cold,
That never a breath can fan them to life.
Like plucked flowers just dropped in the dew
By some careless hand, here never again
Shall they blush as when life was new.

I see them around the board as of old
In the twilight of the year;
And gay, happy voices of children ring out
For the time of Thanksgiving is here.
I hear their prayers rise to the Father above,
I hear their songs swell on the gale,
Is anthems of praise that in darkest of days
God's love ne'er was known them to fail.

I follow them out in the wide, busy world,—
These sons and these daughters so fair,—
Where some of them fail and some of them win
Some tread pathways unknown to care.
Some of them fall into devious ways,
And fallow out passion's behest,
But find at life's close no balm to their woes,—
A serpent they've clasped to their breast.

They write, but they never come back again
To see the old folks that await
In sadness and longing the wanderer's return.
How their hearts beat, at each click of the gate!
I mind me now, of a once happy eve
When the little folks all were abed,
Into the home nest a little one comes
And its pallor to anxious ones said,

"One short, little day is all that I crave
To stop with my brothers at play,
For my home is not here, it is Heaven above,
And to-day I am only half way."
Then the children came in, with wide wonder eyes,
The pale little one to behold,
So coolly nestled in pillows of lace,
Secure like some bomb is the fold.

Yet not secure, for ere the next morn
Came forth in the glow of its pride,
An angle came down from the City of Light
And beguiled the sweet child to its side,
The scene changes quickly from joy into pain;
'Tis so with the lives that we lead—
One minute we laugh 'oer our pleasure or gain,
The next we're most wretched indeed.

Oh, the past, happy days, they can never return,
They are gone like the dear ones from sight;
The gay laugh and song have died on the air,
Like a candle that dies down at night.
What comfort they took in that shattered old house
Where the birds now fly in at their mind,
And build them a nest on some casing or beam,
Removed from the fierce blowing wind.

Poor shattered old house, it is passing away
Like those that before it have gone.
Not one remnant or vestige at last will remain
To tell of a once happy home.
But while a child of that circle remains,
Though a dweller on some foreign shore,
His thoughts will revert to the home of his youth,
To loved ones and pleasures now o'er.
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Here in this spot is concentrated the whole power of the tremendous machine which we call an ironclad ship. Such power was never, since the world began, concentrated under the direction of man, and all that power, the judgment to direct it, the knowledge to utilize it, is placed in the hands of one man, and one only.

What is the power? Talk of Jove with his thunderbolts, of Nasmyth with the hammer, the fables of mythology, and the facts of the latter-day science—where has there been anything to compare with it? Here in the conning tower stands the captain of the ship, and beneath his feet the hidden powers which the mind can scarcely grasp, but which one and all are made subservient to his will and his will alone. Picture him as he stands at his post before battle begins; all is quiet enough, there is scarcely a sound save the lapping of the water against the smooth, white sides of the ironclad, and no outward signs of force save the ripples of the parted water falling off on either side of the ram as it sheers through the water. But mark that white thread escaping from the steam pipe astern, fleecy vapor rising into the air and nothing more.

But what does it mean? It means that far down below some thirty glowing furnaces are roaring under the blast of steam; that in the great cylindrical boilers the water is bubbling, surging, struggling, as the fierce burning gases pass through the flues, and that the prisoned steam, tearing and thrusting at the tough sides of the boilers, is already raising the valves and blowing off at a pressure of 100 pounds. It means that the captain in his conning tower has but to press the button by his side, and in a moment the four great engines will be driving the twin screws through the water with the force of 12,000 horse power, and that the great ship, with a dead weight of 12,000 tons, will be rushing onward at a speed of over 20 miles an hour.

In her turret and in her broadside batteries there is a deep hush of expectation, but there, too, waiting to respond to the "flash of the will that can," lie forces of destruction which appal imagination.

Far down below our feet, in the chambers of the great guns, lie the dark masses of the powder charges. A touch, a spark, and in a sheet of flame, and with the crash of thunder, the steel shot will rush from their muzzles, speeding on their way 2,000 feet in a second and dealing their blow with the impact of 60,000 foot tons—5,000 pounds weight of metal discharged by one touch of the hand. Nor is this all; another touch and another signal will liberate the little clips which detain the four Whitehead torpedoes in their tubes. A puff of powder, a click as the machinery is started, and the two screws are set off whirling, and, with a straight, silent plunge, the long steel torpedoes will dive into the water, and at the appointed depth will speed on their way 30 or 40 miles an hour on their awful errand of destruction. Move that switch and through the dark wall of the night a long striaght beam will shoot forth with the radiance of 40,000 candles, turning the night into day.

A word spoken through that tube will let loose the hailstorm of steel and lead from the quick firing and machine guns on the upper deck and in the tops. A discharge of shot and shell, not to be counted by tens or scores, but by hundreds and thousands, a storm before which no living thing can stand, and under which all but the strongest defences will wither and melt away like a snow bank under an April shower.

And last and most terrible of all, there is one other force ready to the captain's hand—a force the sum of all others, and which if rightly utilized is as irresistible as the swelling of the ocean tide or the hand of death. By your side and under your hand are the spokes of the steam-steering wheel; far forward under the swirling wave which rises round the ship's cutwater, lies the ram, the most terrible, the most fatal of all the engines of maritime warfare. It is the task of the hand which turns that little wheel to direct the fearful impact of the ram.

Think what the power confided to one man's hand must be—12,000 tons of dead weight driven forward by the frantic energy of 12,000 horse power, plunging and surging along through the yielding waves at a speed of ten feet in every second, and with a momentum so huge that the mathematical expression which purports to represent it to the mind conveys no idea to an intelligence incapable of appreciating a conception so vast. To receive a blow from the ram is death—the irretrievable catastrophe of a ship's career. To deliver such a blow is certain victory. It is with the captain, and the captain alone, as he stands here in the conning tower, that the responsibility of inflicting or encountering this awful fate lies.

Now you will understand what I mean when I say that never since the world began have such forces been placed in the hands of single man, whose eye alone must see the opportunity, whose judgment alone must enable him to utilize it, and whose hand alone must give effect to all that his courage, his wisdom, and his duty prompt.

Regulating Oil Lamps.

All who have experience in the use of mineral oil lamps must sooner or later learn that the condition demanded for their burning without smell is that the wick should be turned up to give a full-sized flame without smoking. It is commonly supposed, at first, that by keeping the flame low all objectionable odor is prevented, but the contrary is the case. Something more may be learned, by first charging a lamp with a measured quantity of oil, burning it with the flame at full size for a given time and ascertaining the loss of oil; then making a second experiment with the same lamp, same quantity of oil burning the same time, but with wick turned down so as to have but a fraction of the amount of light supplied during the first experiment. On measuring the loss of oil this time it will be found but little less than in the first case. Therefore in turning down such lamp flames we obtain no such saving of material as in turning down a gass flame. The reason is that with the low flame a considerable quantity of the products of incomplete combustion are making their escape in the air, and these are not only offensive to the smell, but are also injurious to the health. They are analogous to the vapors that are created by blowing out the flame of a tallow candle and leaving the wick to smoulder. M. N. Grebant has recently studied the action of much milder products of the imperfect combustion of coal gas, by placing a dog in a chamber of twelve meters capacity in company with an ill-supplied Bunsen burner. A comparison of the gases of the blood taken from the carotid artery, before and after the experiment, showed that the oxygen of the original blood was almost wholly displaced by carbonic oxide.—Hardwick's Science Gossip.

Mrs. Harrison's Thoughtfulness.

A pretty story is told by a mutual friend of Mrs. Benjamin Harrison. When Mrs. Harrison was a girl she was Miss Carrie Scott, and was a student in the Miami seminary at Oxford, Ohio, of which her father, Dr. John Scott, was president. In her class was a young girl who was painfully awkward, and whose parents were very poor. Miss Scott, on the contrary, was an unusually bright, pretty girl, and a very great favorite. It chanced that an entertainment was to be given, at which all of the young ladies were especially desirous of making a good appearance. Miss Scott one day found her unfortunate classmate in tears, and in her symphathetic way inquired the cause. "I haven't anything to wear at the concert but my shabby old flannel dress," sobbed the girl; "and all the rest of you look so nice; I know I am foolish to care, but I can't help it." "Of course you can't, Mary," replied her pretty comforter. "I would feel just that way myself; but don't cry any more, and I'll see if we can't manage some way to help you out." But Mary, if she was poor, was correspondingly proud and would not listen to the proposition that she should wear a dress belonging to her generous friend. Accordingly Miss Scott set her wits at work to devise some plan whereby her friend's feelings might be saved. The class were planning, girl like, what they should wear, and from their conversation clever Miss Scott got her inspiration. She proposed that they all dress alike, and as it was winter, a time when white was never worn in those days, she suggested blue calico with little white sprigs. The will of their president's daughter was law, and the girls eagerly fell in with the plan, and Mary was able after all to be as well dressed as the others. The New York lady who tells the story shows a piece of the identical blue calico of which these dresses were made. Mrs. Harrison has lost none of that kindly feeling or ready sympathy that made her so popular as a girl. A few years ago she gave up a pleasure trip in order that she might comfort and care for an old servant, who was dying of consumption, and less than a month ago she was seen to take a baby from the arms of a tired mother at a railroad station, and walk the floor until she hushed the little one to sleep.

Mr. and Mrs. Princely were entertaining the minister, and had urged him to stay all night.

"Do stay, Mr. Sheepfold," said Mrs. Princely, "Adolphus won't be home and you can have his room just as well as not."

Then the small boy who had been silent as long as he could stand it burst forth:

"You can sleep in 'Dolph's bed, but you can't use 'Dolph's toothbrush. 'Dolph won't let ennybody use his toothbrush 'cept himself."—*Detroit Free Press.*

A gentleman in the vicinity of Philadelphia recently lost his wife, and a correspondent states, a young miss of six, who came to the funeral, said to his little daughter of about the same age, "Your pa will marry again, won't he?" "Oh! yes," was the reply; "but not until after the funeral."

OXFORD HORSE TALK.

Communications for this department should be addressed to A. T. MAXIM, South Paris, Me.

Theodore Thayer's bay mare Fatinitza has showed herself to be a very successful performer in her class during the past season, winning two races at Canton, one at the Oxford County fair, and one at Gray, where she won in three straight heats, reducing her record to 2:36¼. She is in greatly improved condition from what she was last year, and being level-headed and having confidence in her driver, she does not get rattled when closely pinched in hot company. She is now seven years old, and her breeding, which is as follows, shows that she is entitled to be a level-headed trotter. She was got by Lone Star, 2:36¼, he by Hampton, by Jupiter, by Long Island Blackhawk, by Andrew Jackson, son of imported Bashaw. Hampton's dam was by imported Kildare, a thoroughbred. Lone Star's dam was by Homer's Brandywine. Fatinitza's dam was by Jack Shepherd, a son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian. The blood of the latter, flowing through her veins, doubtless has much to do with her ability to train on, and defeat other trotters equally as speedy in a race of broken heats.

Another promising candidate for turf honors that no doubt owes much of his ability to win his races to this same Hambletonian blood coming through his dam, who there is good reason for believing, was a daughter of old Hambletonian, is the two-year-old stallion Greenwood, owned by E. M. Thayer of South Paris. This colt has shown the fastest mile, 2:56½, also fastest half-mile record, 1:26½, of any colt ever showed in Oxford County of the same age. Greenwood's sire, Victor Patchen, is probably the best bred Patchen stallion in Maine, if his pedigree is correct, and we have no reason to doubt it. He was got by Tom Patchen, sire of Captain, 2:21½, Jack Spratt, 2:23, etc., and his dam was by H. W. Genet, 2:36½, by Godfrey's Patchen, sire of Hopeful, 2:14¾. Victor Patchen has sired several two- and three-year-olds that have shown unusual speed, even when from dams of no trotting quality. But how much such ones will train on remains to be seen.

Westland, J. F. Barrett's great three-year-old, was again a victor last week at Saco, where he beat a field of four-year-olds, winning as he pleased in three heats, best time 2:42. The three-year-old bay filly Kit Van Cleef, by Artemus, Jr., was sold some time since to a Mr. Webb of Waterville for $500. Barrett Bros. have also sold another likely three-year-old recently, of which the Cultivator speaks as follows:

"Mr. W. H. Emery, Newton, Mass., has bought of J. F. Barrett, Portland, Maine, the three-year-old bay filly Susie W., by Messenger Diomed; dam, Brilliant, by Robert Bonner, son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian; second dam, Molly D., (dam of Smuggler's Daughter, 2:24¾, and also dam of Abbott, sire of Kitty Abbott 2:26¾), by Mambrino Chief; third dam by imported Envoy. Molly D. is also known as Norfolk Belle. Messenger Diomed is by Jack Shepherd (son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian, out of Laura Keene, by Seely's American Star); dam by Rysdyk, sire of Clingstone, 2:14; second dam, Sharpless Abdallah, by old Abdallah. Susie W. is with foal by Allectus, he by Alcantara; dam, Iola, by Administrator, 2:29½; second dam, Jessie Pepper (dam of Iona, 2:22, Alpha, 2:23½, and Le Grande, sire of Grandee, three-year-old record 2:23½), by Mambrino Chief. There are but few such bred mares in Maine as Susie W., and breeders there make a mistake in permitting such to leave the State."

S. W. C., a half brother to Artemus, Jr., lately got a record of 2:29½ at Beacon Park.

Gen. Stark, who got a record of 2:28½ at the same place, is the same horse that trotted in the free-for-all at the Oxford County breeders' meeting in August. He was last in the race on that occasion. He is owned by Gilbert Fowler of Portland.

The market for trotters and fine roadsters is quite active at present, and bids fair to continue so for some time to come. Mr. E. M. Thayer, of the firm of Andrews & Thayer, recently disposed of several in Boston. The demand for business horses is largely supplied from the West, where they can be produced much cheaper than in Maine; but well bred Maine horses that bid fair to improve in speed and are also well formed and stylish, will always sell for good prices. Farmers who raise them often fail to realize their full value because of not properly fitting them for the market. The feeding and handling of horses has as much to do with their price as their breeding. A. T. MAXIM

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Benj. Harrison

of Indiana.

For Vice President,

Levi P. Morton

of New York.

FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS.

At Large—Horace H. Shaw, of Portland.
Samuel N. Campbell, of Cherryfield.
First District—Mark F. Wentworth, of Kittery.
Second District—Thaddeus R. Simonton, of Camden.
Third District—Albert W. Cushman, of Ellsworth.
Fourth District—Lambert Sands, of Sebec.

News of the Week.

SATURDAY: The most entire disregard of the civil service law characterizes the movements of the Democratic leaders in this campaign. They have even gone so far as to solicit subscriptions from army and navy officers.——A frost in Alabama is believed to be heavy enough to kill yellow fever.——Congress adjourned.——A land slide in Italy crushed a railway train, killing about 130 people and injuring many more.

SUNDAY: A young man living in Providence shot and perhaps fatally wounded while children were fooling with a pistol which they supposed was not loaded.

MONDAY: An attempt has been made to burn the Fontainebleau forests near Paris.——The United States Supreme Court has sustained the Iowa liquor law.——There was an $85,000 fire at Gayesville, Vt.

TUESDAY: A riot broke out at Mayo, Ireland, between Orangemen and Nationalists. The police were reinforced and charged the mob with bayonets. Several policemen were injured with stones thrown by rioters.——Chief Judge Yellott of the Maryland Court of Appeals, the oldest Judge in point of service and a pronounced Democrat, is out with a letter in indorsement of Harrison and Morton.——The City Treasurer of Cleveland has fled, after robbing the City Treasury of a large amount.

WEDNESDAY: Mr Blaine in New York and in excellent health. He reviewed a big procession from the Republican headquarters.——The search in Montreal for Joe Fowle's hidden gold proved unsuccessful.——Smashups on the Old Colony, Fitchburg and Erie Roads.

THURSDAY: The Administration is much annoyed by the indiscreet letter of Minister West to a correspondent. The diplomat says the man evidently intended to entrap him.——A canvass of Harvard University for political preferences shows the Republicans to be in a decided majority among the students.——Typhoid fever is prevalent in Montreal.

FRIDAY: Total number of cases of yellow fever at Jacksonville, Fla., to date 2997, deaths 341.——Grand Master Powderly expresses himself on the question of protection. He refuses to use any article that has been imported.——There was one death in St. John's Hospital, Brooklyn, yesterday from yellow fever.

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ONE of the founders of spiritualism, Mrs. Margaretta Fox Kane, now states that the mysterious rappings were made by her great toe. That toe has not received as much adoration as the Pope's, but it has had quite a host of followers.

COL. BRICE evidently wants to make people laugh. Speaking of the alleged fraudulent vote in New York city, he makes the surprising statement, "The elections in this city are purer and straighter than in any other large city in the world."

THE Good Templars' committee on the enforcement of the law propose to secure, if they can, the prosecution of every man in the State who pays the United States tax assessed upon liquor dealers. In connection with the announcement, they publish a list of the number of tax payers in each county of the State. Oxford is the banner county, having only two who pay the tax.

DR. ROUNDS, of South Paris, found various traces of Democratic "reform" on the occasion of his late visit to the South. As an instance he relates the case of the Lee estate, which is held by the Federal Government and leased to the colored squatters in the simple relation of landlord and tenant, the Government being amenable to the laws of Virginia. The Democrats have disfranchished about three hundred negroes on this estate on the ground that they are not entitled to vote because located on a government reservation. The negroes have appealed and the decision in their case will be very prudently reserved until after the Presidential election.

CHAIRMAN QUAY's fund of $25,000, deposited as a reward for the conviction of persons registering illegally in New York city, has been drawn upon on account of the conviction of one Gordon, who registered falsely, and the Democratic papers have made much sport over the reported fact that Gordon was a Republican. His being a Republican is conclusively denied; but supposing he was? Would his conviction be any less commendable, or the effect of it any less salutary? The reward was not offered for the detection of Democrats, but of any person illegally registering. It was expected that it would affect Democrats mostly, and so the issue in this case has proved.

ELECTION prospects may be briefly expressed thus: There are 401 electoral votes, and the successful man must have at least 201. Sixteen southern States are reasonably sure to go for Cleveland, giving him 153 electoral votes. Eighteen northern and western States are reasonably sure to go for Harrison, giving him 182 votes. There is some talk, and a little boasting, about changes in some of these States, such as West Virginia, Wisconsin, and other States, but there is no serious apprehension of any such revolution. In addition to the States already mentioned, there are four which may safely be classed as doubtful:

New York,	36
New Jersey,	9
Indiana,	15
Connecticut,	6
Total,	66

In 1884 these States all went for Cleveland by very narrow majorities, but they are not expected to repeat the operation this year. It will be seen that to be elected Cleveland needs 48 votes from the doubtful States, while Harrison needs only 19. Indiana and either Connecticut or New Jersey will elect Harrison, or New York alone will do it. Things of a doubtful nature are very uncertain, but if one-half that is reported in the Republican and independent papers is true, there is an excellent prospect of the Republicans carrying New York, as well as the other doubtful State.

Supreme Judicial Court.

OCTOBER TERM.

HON. CHARLES DANFORTH, *Presiding Judge.*
ALBERT S. AUSTIN, *Clerk.*
OSCAR H. HERSEY, *County Attorney.*
CYRUS M. WORMELL, *Sheriff.*
J. D. PULSIFER, *Stenographer.*
H. E. HAMMOND, *Deputy and Crier.*
SAMUEL R. CARTER, *Librarian.*
WM. A. BARROWS, *Messenger.*

In the case of the State vs. James M. Seavey and Laura E. Walker, on trial for adultery as we went to press last week, the jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

Simeon Briggs vs. Jacob Briggs.

The parties are brothers residing in Buckfield. The action was on account annexed, for money lent, or advanced to assist defendant in making purchases. Defence denied all but one item of the account, and put in a counter claim for money lent. Verdict for plaintiff, $24.00.

Davis and Swasey for Piff. Wright for Deft.

Tuesday morning Napoleon B. Jackson, convicted of malicious trespass, was brought into court and sentented to sixty days in the county jail. The second indictment against Jackson, for malicious mischief, was *nol prossed.*

There remaining only one case for trial, the second jury were discharged Tuesday morning, the first panel being retained to hear the case,

Phineas B. Warner, and Irving E. Benson, by Guardian, vs. N. Johnson Cushman.

After a little of the evidence was in, the case was withdrawn from the jury and the jury were discharged. The hearing on the case was concluded and the case goes to the Law Court.

Both parties in this suit own mills upon the lower dam on the outlet of Moose Pond at North Paris. In 1868 plaintiffs bought the saw mill on the right bank of the stream, the deed conveying all the water power of the dam except so much as was necessary to run the shingle mill on the other bank, or other equal machinery. Plaintiffs claimed that the deed limited both the volume of the water which could be used by the shingle mill, and the machinery which it could be employed to run. Within a few years defendant, who now owns the shingle mill, has put in a new wheel, lowering it so as to get two feet more head, has increased the size of the spout leading to the wheel, thus taking, as the plaintiff claims, more water than belongs to him, and has put in a circular board saw and other machinery, taking away the custom from plaintiffs' mill and compelling it to lie idle. Defense claimed that the new wheel used less water than the old one, and that the board saw was put in because plaintiffs' mill was so run down that the public could not be satisfactorily accommodated by it.

Benson and Swasey for Piff. Wright and Savage for Deft.

Sarah J. Small, libelant, vs. Willard W. Small. Divorce decreed nisi for the cause of desertion.

Swasey.

Court finally adjourned Wednesday afternoon, having been in session fourteen days,—the shortest jury term for three years and a half.

AN invalid pension has been granted to Henry D. Irish, Buckfield.

THE Sioux Indians are not to be paid $1.25 per acre, the price they ask, for the land in their reservation, although the general opinion is that the land is, as a whole, worth it, but the reservation will probably be opened to settlers without any further attempt to gain the consent of the Indians. The principal reason assigned is that the possession of so much money will make the savages lazy and tend to retard their civilization. Of course different methods must be followed in treating with civilized and savage peoples, but it does seem as if there is an element of injustice in the principle which has always been observed by the white man in dealing with the Indian,—"If you will sell your land on my terms, I will buy it; if not, I will take it."

MINISTER WEST has put his foot in it, not by opening his mouth, but by an extremely injudicious use of his pen. The consequence is that he will probably go back to England speedily. Very soon after the President's buncombe retaliation message, a letter was sent to minister West, ostensibly from a young naturalized Englishman, who wished to act so as to favor the interests of his mother country. He had intended, in pursuance of this, to vote for Cleveland, but the retaliation message had somewhat staggered him, and he asked the minister's private advice upon the matter. Minister West in reply wrote a carefully worded letter, which, while it does not say it in so many words, shows plainly that the minister understood the retaliation message as issued solely for political effect, and it shows further that the desire of England, as expressed unofficially by her official representative, is that President Cleveland should be reelected. The publication of this correspondence created dismay at Washington, and the immediate recall of the minister who meddles in American politics has been demanded of England by the administration.

STATE NEWS.

An unsophisticated Canadian was robbed of six hundred dollars by an old confidence game, in Portland last week.

The clerk in the town of Jefferson reports that in the ballot box was found one vote marked simply John E Kelley, without any specification as to what office the candidate was expected to fill.

Governor Marble has appointed Hall C. Burleigh of Vassalboro and C. M. Bailey of Winthrop, representatives to the national convention of cattle growers, which meets at Chicago next month.

Miss Margaret Farrington, daughter of Col. E C Farrington of Portland, has just issued a beautifully illustrated book containing the Arthurian legends arranged for children. The book is highly spoken of by the press.

Walter Wescott of Portland, a brakeman on the Grand Trunk railway, met with a most shocking accident at Gorham, N. H. In attempting to get on a moving train he was thrown down. His arm was caught in a rod connected with one of the cars, and that member was literally pulled off at a point near the shoulder.

A competitive drill between picked squads of eighteen men, from the Coburn Cadets, of the State College at Orono, and the Nealey Rifles of Lewiston, will take place in Lewiston City Hall on the evening of Nov. 15th. The Coburn Cadets are the challengers and the victors are to be recognized as the champions of the State. The judges are to be officers of the United States Army.

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In Norway, Oct. 23, to the wife of H. H. Hosmer, twin sons.
In Norway, Oct. 19, to the wife of H. race Mixer, a daughter.
In Norway, Oct. 20, to the wife of Charles H. Hayden, a daughter.
In Paris, Sept. 16, to the wife of J. A. Sturtevant, a son.
In Mason, Oct. 17, to the wife of Alanson Tyler, a daughter.

MARRIED.

In Norway, Oct. 22, by Rev. J. A. Corey, Albert G. Clark of Bridgton, and Emily M. Kimball, of Waterford.
In Bethel, Oct. 20, at the residence of the bride's mother by Rev. D. W. Hardy, Dr. J. George Gehring of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mrs. Marion True Farnsworth of Boston, Mass.
In Fryeburg, Oct. 21, by Rev. B. N. Stone, Fred E. Haley and Belle F. Nutter, both of Fryeburg.
In Oxford, Oct. 14, by Rev. W. R. Bartlett, Wm. E. Bumpus and Carrie E. Wardwell, both of Oxford.
In Sebago Lake Oct. 14, Willey C. Richardson of Standish and Annie L. Richardson of Fryeburg.

DIED.

In Paris, Oct. 21, Mr. Ethel W. Bumpus, aged 73 years, 11 days.
In Oxford, Oct. 14, Fred R., son of Geo. J. and Mary Parrott, aged 21 years.
In North Rumford, Oct. 6, Emma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodbury Elliott aged 36 years.
In Greenwood, Oct. 21, infant son of Eleazer A. and Mary F. Morgan, aged 1 weeks.
In South Paris, Oct. 28, Edmund Curtis, aged 67 years.

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OXFORD, SS:—Court of Insolvency.

In the case of GEORGE E. LEIGHTON and JOHN A. LEIGHTON, Insolvent Debtors.

NOTICE is hereby given that a petition has, on this 17th day of Oct., A. D. 1888, been presented to said court for said county, by George E. Leighton and John A. Leighton, of Gilead, in said County of Oxford praying that they may be decreed a full discharge from all their debts, as individuals and as Co. partners of the firm of George E. & John A. Leighton, provable under the provisions of chapter 70 of the Statutes of Maine, and upon said petition, it is ordered by said court that a hearing be had upon the same before said court at Paris, in said county of Oxford, on Wednesday, the 28th day of Nov., A. D. 1888, at nine o'clock in the forenoon; and that notice thereof be published in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper published in said county of Oxford, once a week for two successive weeks, the last publication to be seven days before the day of hearing; and that all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons interested may appear at said place and time and show cause, if any they have, why a discharge should not be granted said debtors, according to the prayer of their petition.

Attest: HERRICK C. DAVIS, Register
of said Court for said County of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE.

OXFORD, SS:—Court of Insolvency, 31 Wednesday of October, A. D. 1888.

In the matter of CHARLES R. KAMES Insolvent Debtor.

It is hereby ordered, that notice be given to all persons interested in the settlement of the account of A. R. Godwin, Assignee of the above-named Insolvent Debtor, by causing a copy of this order to be published 2 weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed in Paris, in said County, that they may appear at a Court of Insolvency to be held at the Probate Court Room on the third Wednesday of November next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon, and object if they see cause.

GEO. A. WILSON, Judge
of Insolvency Court, Oxford County.
A true copy—Attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

STATE OF MAINE.

OXFORD, SS:—Court of Insolvency, 31 Wednesday of Oct. A. D. 1888.

In the matter of EDWARD H FOSTER Insolvent Debtor.

It is hereby ordered, That notice be given to all persons interested in the settlement of the account of Alvan B. Godwin, Assignee of the above-named Insolvent Debtor, by causing a copy of this order to be published two weeks, successively, in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed in Paris in said County, that they may appear at a Court of Insolvency to be held at the Probate Court Room on the 3d Wednesday of Nov. next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon, and object if they see cause.

GEO. A. WILSON, Judge
of Insolvency Court, Oxford County.
A true copy, attest:—H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD, SS.—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Oct. A. D. 1888.

EBENE RAND, named Executor in a certain Instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Nancy T. Ames late of Greenwood in said County, deceased, having presented the same for Probate:

Ordered, That the said Executor give notice to all persons interested by causing a copy of this order to be published 3 weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed at Paris, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, in said County on the third Tuesday of Nov. next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and show cause if any they have, why the said Instrument should not be proved, approved and allowed, as the last Will and Testament of said deceased.

GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.
A true copy—Attest:—H. C. DAVIS, Register.

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And we invite a careful examination of the quality of the goods and also the prices placed upon them, and then, after having bought your Supply of Bed Covering in order that you may be kept comfortable during the night,—REMEMBER AGAIN,—that the days in the part of the country are not always

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OXFORD, SS:—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Oct. A. D., 1888.

HIRAM H. BEAN, Admr. on the estate of Calvin Howe, late of Rumford in said County, deceased, having presented his account of administration of the estate of said deceased for allowance:

Ordered, That the said Administrator give notice to all persons interested by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat printed at Paris, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of Nov. next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and show cause if any they have, why the same should not be allowed.

GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.
A true copy, attest:—H. C. DAVIS, Register.

Non-Resident Taxes,

In the town of Sumner, in the County of Oxford, and State of Maine for the year 1887.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the town of Sumner, for the year 1887, in bills committed to I. A Fletcher, Collector of said town, on the 28 day of Aug. A. D 1887, has been returned by him to me as remaining unpaid on the 25th day of July, 1888, by his certificate of that date, and now remains unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if the said taxes, interest and charges are not paid into the Treasury of said town within eighteen months from the date of the commitment of said bills, so much of the real estate taxed as will be sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will, without further notice, be sold at public auction, at the Post Office at East Sumner, in said town, on the fourth day of February, A. D. 1889, at 1 o'clock P. M.

	Amount
Geo. and Alton Dean, part of west gore, range 7,	$2 38
D. W. Bubier, north-west part of gore, lot 14 range 7,	1 87
Elbridge Gray, land formerly occupied by Stephen Chandler,	61
David L. Farrar, north-east part of lot 4, range 3,	3 49
Abner Benson, part of gore, lot 14, range 7,	2 72
David L. Farrar, south gore, range 2,	66

Sumner, Oct. 10, A. D 1888.
W. H. EASTMAN, Treasurer of Sumner.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons and corporations, whose rights may be thereby affected, that the undersigned will present to the next Legislature for the State of Maine, a petition for legislation, of which the following is a true copy:

To the Senate and House of Representatives assembled at Augusta, in the State of Maine:

The undersigned would respectfully apply for a charter containing suitable and proper provisions, granting to them, their associates, successors, and assigns, the right to maintain dams, side-dams, and sluices, at the on fet of Ellis Pond, in the town of Roxbury, County of Oxford, and State of Maine, to clear and remove obstructions from the channel of the stream from said out let through the towns of Roxbury and Andover to its junction with Ellis River, to maintain dams, sluices, piers and other works, suitable and proper to facilitate log-driving from said out let to the junction of said stream with the Ellis River in the town of Andover, and to demand a reasonable toll for all logs or short lumber, or pulp wood, which may pass through or by said works when completed, said toll to be secured by a lien thereon.

Dated at Lewiston, Maine, October 16th, 1888.
E. PLUMMER.
G. C. MOSES.
W. E. PLUMMER.
W. H. NEWELL.

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TO SCHOOL AGENTS.

A. D. Park, a teacher of twelve years experience for three years principal of Dixfield High School and at present teaching the Hartford Free High School, will be ready to accept a position after Nov. 1st. At Hartford Me. until Nov. 1st.

THE Subscriber hereby gives public notice that she has been duly appointed by the Hon. Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford and assumed the trust of Administratrix of the estate of

ALBERT E. COOPER, late of Paris,

in said County, deceased, by giving bond as the law directs: she therefore requests all persons indebted to the estate of said deceased to make immediate payment; and those who have any demands thereon to exhibit the same to

Oct. 16, 1888. EMILY A. COOPER.

THE Subscriber hereby gives public notice that she has been duly appointed by the Hon. Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford and assumed the trust of Executrix of the estate of

ELVIRA CHASE, late of Norway,

in said County deceased by giving bond as the law directs; she therefore requests all persons who are indebted to the estate of said deceased to make immediate payment and those who have any demands thereon to exhibit the same to

Oct. 16, 1888. LAURA A. TRULL.

THE subscriber hereby gives public notice that she has been duly appointed by the Hon. Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford and assumed the trust of Executrix of the estate of

LEANDER HODGDON, late of Buckfield,

in said County, deceased, by giving bond as the law directs; she therefore requests all persons indebted to the estate of said deceased to make immediate payment, and those who have any demands thereon to exhibit the same to.

Oct. 16, 1888. EMELINE HODGDON.

OXFORD, SS:—At a Court of Probate, held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Oct. A. D. 1888.

MARY A. COLE, Administratrix on the estate of Dennis Stanley, late of Porter, in said County deceased, having presented her account of Administration of the estate of said deceased for allowance:

ORDERED, That said Administratrix give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the OXFORD DEMOCRAT, printed at Paris, that they may appear at a Court of Probate, to be held at Paris, in said County, on the third Tuesday of Nov. next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed.

GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.
A true copy—ATTEST: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD, SS:—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Oct. A. D. 1888.

DANIEL A. FLETCHER, guardian of Daniel Foster, a non compos, in said County, having presented his account of guardianship of said ward for allowance:

Ordered, That the said Guardian give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, printed at Paris, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of Nov next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be allowed.

GEO A WILSON, Judge.
A true copy—attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD, SS. At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Oct. A. D. 1888.

HATTIE M. DAVIS, named Executrix in a certain Instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John F. Davis late of Paris, in said County, deceased, having presented the same for Probate:

Ordered, That the said Executrix give notice to all persons interested by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat a newspaper printed at Paris, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of Nov. next at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and show cause, if any they have, why the said Instrument should not be proved, approved and allowed as the last Will and Testament of said deceased.

GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.
A true copy—Attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD, SS:—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford on the third Tuesday of Oct. A. D. 1888.

ABBIE J. MANSON, widow of Calvin W. Manson, late of Waterford, deceased, having presented her petition for an allowance out of the personal estate of said deceased:

ORDERED, that the said Petitioner give notice to all persons interested by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, printed at Paris, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be holden at Paris, in said county, on the third Tuesday of Nov. next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, against the same.

GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.
A true copy—Attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD, SS:—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Oct. A. D. 1888.

On the petition of HERBERT L. WHITCOMB, Administrator of the estate of Frederick N. Horr, late of Waterford, in said County, deceased, praying for license to sell and convey certain real estate situated in Waterford in said County and fully described in his petition on file at public or private sale for the payment of debts and charges.

ORDERED, That the said petitioner give notice to all persons interested, by causing an abstract of his petition, with this order thereon, to be published three weeks successively in the OXFORD DEMOCRAT, a newspaper printed at Paris, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of Nov. next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be granted.

GEORGE A. WILSON, Judge.
A true copy.—attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD, SS:—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Oct. A. D. 1888.

MOSES S. MOULTON, administrator of the estate of Joseph Mason, former Executor of the last will and testament of Lizzie A. Libby, late of Hiram, in said County, deceased having presented his account of administration of the estate of said deceased for allowance:

ORDERED, that the said Admin'r give notice to all persons interested by causing a copy of this order to be published 3 weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat printed at Paris, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Fryeburg, in said county on the first Tuesday of Dec. next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and show cause if any they have why the same should not be allowed.

GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.
A true copy, attest:—H. C. DAVIS, Register.

OXFORD, SS:—At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of Oct. A. D. 1888.

On the petition of HORACE N. BOLSTER, Administrator of the estate of Oliver P. Cummings, late of Paris, in said County, deceased, praying for license to sell and convey certain real estate situated in the town of Paris, and fully described in his petition on file at public or private sale for the payment of debts and charges.

ORDERED, That the said Petitioner give notice to all persons interested by causing an abstract of his petition, with this order thereon, to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, printed at Paris, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, in said County, on the third Tuesday of Nov. next, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be granted.

GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.
A true copy—attest: H. C. DAVIS, Register.

Commissioners' Notice.

THE undersigned, having been appointed by the Hon. Judge of Probate for the county of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of August, A. D. 1888, Commissioners to receive and examine the claims of creditors against the estate of Hiram H. Bisbee, late of Greenwood in said county, deceased, represented insolvent, hereby give notice that six months from the date of said appointment are allowed to said creditors in which to present and prove their claims, and that they will be in session at the following place and time for the purpose of receiving the same, viz:—at the office of A. S. Herrick, Esq., in Bethel, in said County, on Thursday, February 21, 1889, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated this twelfth day of October, A. D. 1888.

GILMAN P. BEAN, } Commissioners.
E. C. PARK. }

To the Hon. County Commissioners for the County of Oxford.

We, the undersigned, inhabitants of the town of Buckfield in said County of Oxford, would respectfully represent that it is impractical to repair, and that public necessity and convenience require a change in the location of the highway in said Buckfield and Paris, leading from A. S. Bessey's homestead in said Buckfield, over Woodbury Hill, so called, to the homestead of Charles Woodbury in said Paris, said change to be as follows, to wit: Beginning at, or near the homestead of said A. S. Bessey and running northerly of the present location to a point at or near said Charles Woodbury's homestead.

Your petitioners therefore request your Honorable Board to view the premises and take such action thereon as law and justice may require.

CARLTON GARDNER,
and 17 others.

STATE OF MAINE.

COUNTY OF OXFORD, SS:—Board of County Commissioners, September Session, 1888, held by adjournment October 9th, 1888.

Upon the foregoing petition, satisfactory evidence having been received that the petitioners are responsible and that inquiry into the merits of their application is expedient, It is Ordered that the County Commissioners meet at the house of Frank Farrar, in said Paris, on the twentieth day of November next, at ten of the clock A. M., and thence proceed to view the route mentioned in said petition; immediately after which view a hearing of the parties and their witnesses will be had at some convenient place in the vicinity and such other measures taken in the premises as the commissioners shall judge proper. And it is further ordered, that notice of the time, place and purpose of the Commissioners' meeting aforesaid, be given to all persons and corporations interested by causing attested copies of said petition and of this order thereon to be served upon the respective Clerks of the towns of Paris and Buckfield, and also posted up in 3 public places in each of said towns and published 3 weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a newspaper printed at Paris, in said County of Oxford, the first of said publications and each of the other notices to be made, served and posted, at least thirty days before said time of meeting, to the end that all persons and corporations may then and there appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petitioners should not be granted.

Attest: ALBERT S. AUSTIN, Clerk.
A true copy of said Petition and Order of Court thereon.
Attest: ALBERT S. AUSTIN Clerk

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons and corporations, whose rights may be thereby affected, that the undersigned will present to the next Legislature for the State of Maine, a petition for legislation for which the following is a true copy:

To the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, at Augusta, in and for the State of Maine:

The undersigned would respectfully apply for a charter, containing suitable and proper provisions, granting to them, their associates, successors and assigns, the right to construct a railroad with one set of iron rails or tracks from a point on the easterly bank of Swift River, at its outlet into the Androscoggin River, near Mexico Corner, so called, in the town of Mexico, County of Oxford, and State of Maine; thence north-westerly crossing the towns of Mexico, Roxbury, Byron, Letter D, and Rangely Plantation, a distance of about twenty-five miles to the most southerly point of Mooselucmaguntic or Great Lake, with all the powers, privileges, rights, and immunities incident thereto.

Dated at Lewiston, the 16th, day of October, 1888.
EDWARD PLUMMER.
GALEN C. MOSES.
ARTHUR SEWALL.
W. E. PLUMMER.
W. H. NEWELL.

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First Baptist Church: Preaching Service every Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 12 M. Sabbath Evening Service at 6:30 P. M. Prayer Meetings, Thursday Evenings at 7 P. M.

Universalist Church, Rev. Caroline Angell, Pastor. Preaching Service every Sunday at 11 A. M. Sabbath School at 12 M.

The High School scholars had a very enjoyable sociably Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Atwood, of Buckfield were in town last week.

Miss Maud Douglass was visited by her mother and brother, from Canton, last week.

The work of building the new receiving tomb at Hillside Cemetery has commenced.

Prof. and Mrs. George L. Vose, of Milton, Mass., are visiting at Mrs. P. S. Black's.

The Youth's Companion announces, among its serial stories for the year 1889, one by Charlotte F. Hammond, M. D., entitled "Red Face."

Roll of Honor, being the names of those scholars in the Primary school who have not been absent or tardy for the week ending October 26th:

Hattie Thayer, Allie Cutting, Louis Hammond, Walter Hammond, Frank Andrews, Charlie Wing, Archie Cole, Angie Andrews, Annie Hammond, Susie French.

SADIE B. EATON, Teacher.

George D. Young of Oxford was committed to jail here Monday, to await examination on the charge of being one of the gang who recently broke into the bakery at Mechanic Falls. Young was captured on Sunday, the 21st, by Deputy Sheriff Bassett and Milton Haskell of Minot. The officers recovered most of the stolen goods and secured some burglar's tools. Young is supposed by some to be the leader of a gang that has been committing depredations in his vicinity for the two past years.

The commonest sight on the road nowadays is a load of cider apples, with something on top to put the cider in, varying from a two-gallon keg to three good-sized barrels. They are all headed towards South Paris. A Democrat man who was perambulating about the country on the only pleasant day we have had in two weeks, wished that he could have ganged all the barrels and casks that he met in the course of the forenoon. The total capacity would have been something less than that of Lake Pennesseewassee. What a lot of vinegar there'll be in this section next spring!

WHITTEMORE DISTRICT.

William Cooper has been quite sick of erysipelas in the face, is better.

Wirt Stanley passed here last Sunday with two fox skins slung over his shoulder.

J. C. Royal, of Michigan, another of our enterprising Paris boys, is visiting his aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. Solon Royal. Mr. Royal is postal agent on the Lansing and Northern Railroad. He went to Michigan twenty years ago. It has been nearly ten years since he last visited them.

W. E. Cole with his bride and Miss Ada Cole, of South Portland, and Mrs. Minnie Cole Tubbs, of Indiana, are visiting at W. H. Cole's. Speaking of General Harrison, Mrs. Tubbs said, "he is an elder in the Presbyterian church, a man above reproach, and a christian in the truest acceptation of that term."

SOUTH PARIS.

Cora E. Millett has opened a dressmaking shop at the store of the Excelsior Picture Frame Co.

Herbert Tucker's cow made 13lbs. and 12 oz. of butter in seven days.

Our schools are being successfully taught in each department. Good work is being done.

L. S. Billings was in Portland Wednesday on business.

Send all your items of interest to the Democrat.

The Chester Club held their first meeting for transacting business, Friday evening, October 19th.

The following officers were elected:

Pres., Marion Jones; Vice Pres., Laura Clifford; Sec. and Treas., Minnie Plummer; Executive Com., Hattie Shaw, Mabel Nichols, Grace Thayer, Gertie Hall and Ava Leach.

The club will give a literary and musical entertainment under the auspices of the Ladies' Circle, Tuesday evening, Oct. 30th, at the vestry of the Congregational church. The recitations and songs will be given in appropriate costumes.

PROGRAMME.

Cornet Solo	Dwight Wise.
Recitation	Bennie Fitz.
Song	Hattie Shaw.
Recitation	Mrs. A. G. Fitz.
Song	Angie Love joy.
Recitation	Mr. Records.
Song	Marion Jones.
Recitation	Mrs. W. Clifford.

Chorus of Patriotic Songs.

Supper will be served from six to eight o'clock in the vestry. Admission to supper and entertainment twenty cents; children ten cents; entertainment ten cents.

The several clubs and societies promise to give us entertainments for the winter months.

C. W. Bowker has already commenced his sale of ladies' cloaks. No better goods and no lower prices for the same quality can be found in Oxford County.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Kimball, of North Bridgton, were at this place last week.

Capt. W. R. Swan, who has been stopping at Poland for several weeks, returned to Chelsea this week. He says he has received considerable help from the mineral water of that spring.

There was a large Grange meeting last Saturday.

Call and see the "Perfect Axe." It is made in Kentucky and will be found at Richardson's.

The South Paris Beagle Club shipped a fine lot of beagle pups to New York Monday.

The Grand Trunk Railway delivered 1100 cars of grain and feed at Yarmouth Junction during the last two months.

George Hargraves, formerly pitcher on the South Paris B. B. C., has accepted the position of brakeman on the Grand Trunk.

A. C. Dyerie doing a brisk grocery business. He keeps a fresh stock. He was in Portland Saturday.

Mr. Randall, from Richmond, is clerking at Gerry's.

A letter from C. E. Richardson, Minneapolis, says all are well and the Paris people are about starting on a hunting expedition out in Dakota.

Howard Pember leaves the position of fireman on the Norway branch and goes onto the main line. Mr. Pember is a fine young man and has made many friends since he has been here.

D. N. True has been visited by his brother and wife from Portland.

F. A. Shurtleff was in Boston last week buying his holiday goods.

W. J. Wheeler attended the Waterford fair with organs.

Asael Dudley & Son with fourteen horses hauled a stationary engine weighing ten tons to Patch Mountain, Greenwood, last week. Taking the roads and the hills it was quite an undertaking but Mr. Dudley placed it there without breaking but one chain. They returned home at two o'clock the next morning.

Dr. Roscoe Davis's folks, who went to Washington some seven weeks ago, are very sick.

Edmund Curtis passed away Sunday, October 28, after a lingering sickness of more than four years with consumption. He was born in this town April 13th, 1821, and had a large circle of relatives and friends. Mr. Curtis has always taken a live interest in public affairs. He was a staunch Republican and longed to see the return of this party to power. He was a member of Mt. Mica Lodge of Odd Fellows. He leaves a widow, one son and a daughter, who have done all that human hand could do to care for him in his long sickness. His funeral will be held at his late residence Tuesday, at 1 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Alpion Stillings is very sick with typhoid fever.

Fatinitza and Lucky were driven at the races at Colebrook and each won money.

G. H. Porter is buying apples.

George A. Briggs has engaged to sing in the Universalist choir at Norway this winter.

O. G. Curtis has brought water into his buildings.

Ed. Thayer has sold Amos B. to Massachusetts parties.

Herbert R. Favor of Springfield, Missouri has been visiting friends in District No. 3, his native home. Mr. Favor is an engineer. On his road the engine drivers receive four cents a mile.

THE BEAR BRIGADE.

Wilson's Mills.

F. A. Flint is building a piece on to the main part of his house. It is to be two stories high, and will also raise up the old part one story.

Arthur Flint has sold his horse to Fairfield Coolidge.

Walter Bucknam has a four horse team on the road hauling lumber for Flint from the landing. It is rafted in from Upton across the Umbagog.

R. A. Twitchell has gone up the Abbott brook with his teams and a crew to commence his logging job.

H. W. Fickett is assistant postmaster and clerk at Flint's Hotel.

The roads are very bad owing to frequent rains and the hauling of heavy loads of supplies over them.

South Buckfield.

If any apology were needed for South Buckfield not being represented in the Democrat last week it is found in the fact that your correspondent again succumbed to the old enemy disease and was unable even to attend to so trivial a matter as writing to the Democrat.

Our neighbor at East Hebron evidently invites a discussion of the merits of the Mills bill past and present. We are never averse to discussion, but we hardly deem it advisable for neighbors to seek the medium of the Democrat to air their views on the tariff question even were the indulgent editor to allow it. If, however, East Hebron really desires to discuss the tariff issue we would be pleased to meet him to publicly discuss the question in his own borough at such time as he may choose to designate.

As we predicted, Ellis Whitman's three-year-old steers were at the county fair and won the first premium too. Ellis is no slouch of a farmer.

H. N. Chase has gone to Massachusetts canvassing for nursery stock.

A. W. Sawyer has traded the Allen mare for Warren Bumpus' world renowned kicker and the chances are that he will subdue it. In dealing with refractory horses Mr. Sawyer has few superiors.

Hutchinson's machine has threshed the grain on South Hill.

The apple market is reported depressed, but Abel Irish still pays $1 25 per barrel. We shall assort our apples and store them in the cellar and confidently hope for better prices.

Widow Chase is soon to remove to the city.

De Elmer Hathaway and widow R. B. Jennings are visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Some of the inhabitants of Snell Hill are annoyed by the depredations of thieves.

Will Dean after again absenting himself for a few days has been returned to his home. It is thought that he has softening of the brain.

Bennie Gerrish is now buying potatoes paying 40 cents a bushel.

T. G. Burdin, manufacture apple barrels at Chase's Mills, is selling them for thirty cents. Harvesting is nearly completed.

Norway Lake.

Charles Newhall is boarding at C. W. Partridge's.

Frank Bartlett, while out sailing in the Trouble a short time since, was capsized, but being lucky enough to get on the bottom of the boat, got only one foot wet.

News is scarce and mud plenty, while the lake is up to high water mark.

Mrs. Samuel Hale is soon to visit relatives in Providence, R. I.

Sumner.

A spelling school was held at the school house in District No. 3, Hartford, Thursday night, October 18th. The exercises consisted of singing, recitations, etc., and a spelling contest. Miss Edith Glover succeeded in spelling the school down. Her age is twelve years.

PRO DUZENBURY.

East Hebron.

We are enjoying a fine snow storm.

The Bonney farm has been sold to Mr. Hayes, of Rumford, and Mr. H. has moved. D. E. Keene had the job of moving him.

Willie R. Keene has not had his usual good luck shooting partridges this fall, but one strayed into his chamber quite recently and by exercising himself a little managed to capture it, but his conscience wouldn't let him harm the bird so he let it escape. Will contemplates getting a bow and arrow so to have a reliable equipment for the game.

Gilead.

The weather continues dull with now and then a little snow.

Eben Chapman is building a sheep house.

The cemetery fence in District No. 1 is being painted white.

George I. Burnham and Henry Wight have taken a job cutting and drawing spruce this winter.

A. B. Lary has just sold the heaviest pair of oxen in town.

Brvant and Dresser are having a good run at their blacksmith shop at the village.

Newry.

Mrs. E. B. Knapp has returned from Parmacheenee.

Willie Wilber is home from Portland Business College. He is to teach school in the Newry Corner District.

Mrs. Eli Stearns has been quite ill, but is better now.

Lawrence Searle commenced operations in the woods last Monday. He is cutting birch and poplar for J. A. Thurston, Newry Corner.

Parlin's crew in Ketchum have been having a wet time building their camps.

The wet weather and muddy roads have been hard on the tote teams. All hands want to see a dry spell.

Albany.

Mr. George Phelps and wife, of Randolph, N. H., are visiting his brother and other friends here.

Charles McAllister and wife and her sister have returned from Jackson, N. H., where they have been visiting her sister Mrs. Trickey.

The Methodist Ladies' Circle met Thursday with Mrs. Wendall E. Wheeler.

Arthur Barker is building a house near Libby's mill.

W. T. Green, of North Waterford and Hon. W. Cross and son, of Bridgton, are passing here quite often with droves of stock. There is some stock for sale here yet.

Dexter Cummings raised 296 bushels of oats.

Mr. Doughty and wife, of Providence, R. I., are visiting at her father's, P. P. Dresser's.

Rev. Mr. Robinson, of South Waterford, preached at Albany last Sunday in exchange with Rev. Mr. Beadenkoff.

The Methodist held their Quarterly Meeting last Sunday afternoon in the Congregational church in Albany. Presiding Elder Adams preached an able and interesting sermon on the final judgment.

A. G. Bean and wife are visiting his brother, Rev. Insley Bean at West Paris.

Edwin Jordan, of North Waterford is doing the threshing in this vicinity.

Farmers are getting a very fair crop of oats.

Apples are quite abundant. Some sales of Baldwins at $1.25 per barrel.

Fred Riley and wife, of Bridgton, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Amos Barker Jr.

Grafton.

Still the stormy weather continues. It is a hard time for those that have not got their grain harvested. Some have had their grain out four weeks since, it was cut, and still no signs of a chance to get it in to the barn. It will be theligtest crop of grain for this section that has been for many years.

The potato crop very fair but not as good as usual.

Mount Blair has been covered with snow for the last two weeks.

It snowed here yesterday, about four hours melting in part as it fell, but the ground is covered with snow about one inch in depth this morning, but still cloudy and threatning.

Two hay presses are at work in town pressing hay and straw for the teams in the woods.

So much rainy weather and mud it is awful for horses to work. They almost all have the disease in their legs called scratches. Some are very bad.

Mr. Jobathan Bennett trapped a bear last Monday.

Andover.

J. A. French lost one of his best horses Tuesday morning. The horse had with his mate been driven to Bryant's Pond the day before and died in the stable at that place.

Mrs. Silvanus Poor is very low. She has been feeble for a long time and is now entirely helpless.

The M. E. Ladies' Circle which was to meet with Mrs. L. R. Hall Wednesday evening was postponed until Thursday night on account of the storm.

Last Friday afternoon as two mighty hunters from the vicinity of the Hub with a rearguard of "country cousins" were charging up the rugged slopes of Lone Mountain they discovered a juvenile bear in full retreat up a big spruce. Not considering themselves properly equipped for an encounter with such large game, one bravely laid seige against his bearship, while the others went for reinforcements. The seige getting monotomous he fired a volley at the tree top and retreated to meet his comrades, returning with the reinforcements. Reaching the scene of action it was found that the volley had taken effect and the bear lay dead on the ground. He was covered with quills.

East Brownfield.

A real snow storm!

Mrs Sarah N. Stickney left on the 26th for Nevada. She expects to spend the winter with her son who has been in the western country seven years.

The house which was "Aunt Patty's" home is now closed for the first time in 75 years.

The new time table for the winter is proving much more convenient for the public than in previous years.

An infant child of John Miller's was buried the 25th.

Upton.

About five inches of snow fell yesterday. Things look rather winterish.

Mr. Frank Baker and wife started for their home in Boston this afternoon.

The traveling is just awful after all the now and rain of the few days past.

Lafayette Foster of Bethel, was in town a few days ago selling good winter apples for $1 50 per bbl.

S. F. Peaslee and Mrs. Melvin Lombard are on the sick list. LIDA.

Hebron.

Rev. Mr. Richardson and wife spent last Sunday at South Paris. Tuesday Mr. R. went to Paris to attend the funeral of Ethel Bumpus.

Mrs. Harden went to Boston Monday.

Etta Sturtevant is in Boston visiting relatives.

C. B. Record and wife, of Moncton, N. B., spent Sunday with relatives here. Mr. Record showed us an "eagle cent" which he took in change on a 6th Avenue car in New York in August, 1856, the year it was coined, 32 years ago. Mr. Record has carried it in his pocket every day since. It is worn perfectly smooth, and is not more than half its original thickness.

Frank Glover is having a bad time with a sore on his face.

Ansel Bowman has a very sore hand.

L. I. Bumpus left here this morning (Thursday) and will canvass the States of New York and New Jersey on this trip returning about Christmas. C.

Hartford.

We had four inches of snow the 24th.

Some miserable sneak thief last week stole fourteen of Churchill Holme's best turkies and two hives of honey.

Emery Parson's hired man a short time ago fired into a flock of wild geese, killed one and wounded another. The one that was wounded only had his wing broken. Emery thinks he will come out all right and make quite a noise when Harrison is elected.

Captain Libby is at work finishing off the inside of Wm. E. Bicknell's house.

Clifford Hutchinson from Auburn has been visiting his father, Dea. Rodney Hutchinson.

The farmers were paid for their corn at Buckfield factory October 25th.

Mason.

No particular changes to note in the state of things here.

The weather very regular, rain, snow, and fair weather.

Three inches of snow Wednesday but all gone now.

Our farmers are having their threshing done now.

Stock is so low that many are killing such as will do for beef, they can sell meat for about half the price asked by butchers that run carts, and then get more for their cattle than they will bring on the hoof.

Deer are said to be plenty. None killed here as yet but some have been seen.

Cider making is in order now. It will be very plenty and cheap. Every body can have vinegar next year, if it is not all used up for apple sauce this winter.

Mrs. J. C. Bean continues very feeble. She is but a shadow of her former self.

Ground frozen this Friday morning.

East Sumner.

The County Commissions visited East Sumner on Tuesday on petition for a change of location of county road near the three railroad crossings on the road leading towards Buckfield, but owing to oversight and defects in petition, they returned without accomplishing anything.

Benjamin Gerrish has been buying and shipping apples at Sumner station. Apples are very plenty and cheap.

Mrs. Gilman Rice, of Andover, is visiting friends at Sumner and vicinity.

Mrs. Hibbard has returned from a visit to Eliot.

Mr. Josiah T. Stetson and daughters are on a trip to Iowa.

High school closes this week.

SLOCUM.

East Bethel.

The farmers are doing their fall work as fast as the weather will permit.

Snow storms, rain and mud are the prevailing elements.

E. A. Cross, from Bridgton, started a drove of cattle of seventy head from this place October 26th, which he will drive over the road to Brighton.

Mrs. Effie Currier from Massachusetts accompanied by a friend, is visiting at C. M. Brown's.

Miss Flora Bartlett closed her school at Middle Intervale October 26th and returned to her home in this place.

Merton Holt has a patent threshing machine from Gray & Sons, Vermont, which is a great improvement on the old.

Greenwood.

Austin Morgan's baby was taken with croup last week, which soon changed to congestion of the lungs, and died Sunday night.

The oldest inhabitants now tell us that the present season as a whole has been colder than the year 1816; and for wetness we don't believe it has been equaled since the celebrated year of the world 1556.

Indeed the girls say that although it is leap year they find it next to impossible to strike up a match, and we have found it equally difficult to crack a dry joke. And now, while writing this, it is snowing like great guns. If the weather continues thus much longer we think it would be appropriate to change the name of this country to South Labrador.

Will Swan thinks a good deal of his pet rat, although she played a pretty hard game on him recently. Her home is a large bird cage, which he keeps in the barn. The other night he left the cage door open by mistake, in consequence of which, the next morning, he found his rat had taken French leave. Then he called her and searched every hole and corner in the barn but no trace of his pet could be found. The only thing he could think of to do was to yield to the inevitable and cry as if he had lost his last friend on earth. But the last ray of hope did not forsake him. He could not help thinking that hunger would finally bring her back to her home again. So early the next morning he went to the cage as before, and began calling her by name, she crawled out of her nest and came to the front, looking the very embodyment of innocence.

Two Salvation meetings have been held at the City meeting house recently, led by Capt. Harry J. Lewellyn. He is full of energy, a fair singer and quite an expert energy, a fair singer and quite an expert with the tambourine. He wears a bright red jacket, the front of which contains the words, "Salvation Army," and the back, "Jesus waits to save," in large, capital, gold colored letters worked in silk. His mode of worship is peculiar to the Salvationist and often borders on the ludicrous. He will be here again the first Sunday in November and Thanksgiving day. He draws a full house, many comming out of sheer curiosity.

Bethel.

School, in district No. 15, commenced Oct. 8th.

Miss Mary Chapman wishes to mention the names of her pupils, who were not absent one half day during the first two weeks of the term:

They are as follows, Ada Cross, Sadie Cross Fannie Cross, Emma Hutchinson, Rosie Wheeler, Florence Carter, Carrie Merrill, Ethel Morse, Ruble Smith, Rena Lamere, Alice Farewell, Frankie Bartlett, Harry Hutchinson, Micky Conners, Norman Sanborn, Robert Clough, Burton Smith, Marshal Hastings, Mattie Swan, Kitty Swan, Ora Swan and Allie Estes.

None have been late except the last four and those but once.

Mrs. Susie Farnsworth, of Bethel, was married to Dr. C. E. Ghering, of Cleveland, Ohio, Saturday, the 20th inst. They started on their wedding tour immediately to visit his home in Cleveland. Mrs. Farnsworth was a daughter of Dr. N. T. True, of Bethel, and widow of G. B. Farnsworth, of Boston, Mass. Her tender solicitude for her father after his disability for active work, very much endeared her to the doctor's many friends.

J. W. Penney, of Mechanic Falls, has been adding improvements to the engine in the mill of Woodbury and Purington.

The Ladies' Congregationlist Circle had a most enjoyable meeting at Deacon E. P. Grover's, West Bethel, Tuesday evening. A large number were present.

Roxbury.

Aunt Jane Richards has sold her farm to John Reed, and he has sold it again to Thomas Oldham. His brother Ernest has moved his family on to the farm.

Thomas and Ernest Oldham both are at work for L. A. Thomas on poplar.

J. L. Weeks is drawing supplies into the mountain camp for Foster. It is a terrible place to go with a cart but the goods must go in to feed the men and oxen.

Charles Philbrick is not getting well as was expected.

John Reed is making havoc with the partridges. He fired at six the other day and missed every one. His big partridge stew is numbered naught.

Oxford.

Mrs. Hannah Hayes died on Thursday, October 18th, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ellis after a sickness of several weeks, aged 91 years, 8 months. Her funeral was on Sunday at the Congregational church, Rev. George F. Tewksbury officiating. She was for many years a member of the Baptist church. During a long and active life she won the respect and esteem of many and her loss will be deeply felt by her family and friends.

Orin Jones has sold his place to S. D. Edwards for $1,800, (eignteen hundred) and has bought a stand of John Robinson.

The schools closed last week.

Miss Nellie White has gone to North Carolina on account of her health.

Hiram.

Miss Hannah Bucknell has gone to Portland to remain some months with Mrs. Nellie M. Benjamin who is ill.

Prayer meetings have been resumed at Reuben S. Moulton's Sunday evenings at 7 o'clock.

Mrs. J. F. Twitchell has recovered from her recent illness.

Miss Celia Stuart, of East Hiram, is teaching on Hiram Hill with good success.

Mr. Herbert Allen of Denmark is teaching in the Spring district, with excellent results. He has passed examination to enter Bowdoin College.

Dixfield.

Dixfield Spool Co. have built an addition to their mill.

Mr. Geo. Holt is building a new stable.

Frank Stanley has a crew in the woods.

John Toothaker has sold his house to Mrs. Walt.

Mr. Bryant's family arrived Friday.

Supper of the Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. Scott Chase was well attended and a good time enjoyed by all.

A large bear has been killing sheep for Mr. C. Whitman.

Harlow Bros. are going to finish a store in the east end of the block.

Mr. Albion Marsh's piazza is a fine one. C. L. Howard is the man to do such work.

Bryant's Pond.

Bacon's Orchestra gave some very good music at the assembly held in Glen Mt. House Hall Friday night. John Haselton of Norway, as prompter. Those present were well satisfied with the entertainment the first given by the new landlord, W. G. Morton.

The Island Pond express, which leaves here at 4:25, P. M., takes mail which reaches Boston the same night.

J. L. Bowker is in Boston employed in the nickel plate works on Sudbury Street.

Our stage driver, George H. Tuttle, is having a vacation visiting Boston and Lawrence. Frank Cushman now handles the ribbons. COR.

Henry A. Bradeen has closed his camps at Forest Haven and returned to this village.

W. H. Cole is buying quite a quantity of apples. There was a fair crop raised in this vicinity.

The winter schools will commence November 5th and will be under the instruction of Pedro Gillott and Miss Effie Wing.

Miss Etta P. Bradeen, who has been teaching school in Upton the past summer and fall has returned home.

J. P. Whitney was in town Thursday on his way to Whitney camp in the Lake region.

F. M. Cole, dealer in hardware and lumber, does quite an extensive business. His lumber trade alone is quite an item. One year ago he bought out the stock and business of C. R. Houghton, since then he has built up a good trade in the hardware line and now has a full and assorted stock.

Our carriage builder, D. D. Peverly, is erecting a stable 20 x 30 and also repairing his house, raising the roof and making other changes. Cyrus Millett is doing the carpenter work.

Denmark.

Mrs. Nathaniel Robinson who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. B. Cobb, at Biddeford, has returned home.

Jesse B. Sanborn of Cornish is stopping for a few days in town.

Moses M. Bennett has picked over 100 barrels of No. 1 apples from his orchard. He has sold them to Mr. Bradeen of Cornish.

Dr. Brown is building an addition to his stable.

Fred Bacon of Jefferson, N. H., is visiting at T. H. Jack's. He is employed by the Boston, Concord and Montreal R. R.

Alzo Ingalls has returned to Saco.

H. W. Richardson has sold the Brackett House to Mr. Bartlett of West Peru, and is moving into the Tarbox house. Mr. Bartlett will take possesion this week. The price paid was $1,400 for the real estate, and about $400 for a part of the furnishings. Mr. Richardson has succeed in making the house a paying property which was not the case before he bought it four years ago.

E. C. Wentworth of Haverhill, Mass., is visiting his relatives in town. He is doing a large business in contracting and building and is taking finely.

A. H. Jones has moved into his new purchase, the Hodge stand and is putting it into first-class condition. He will have one of the finest residences in town.

Geo. A. Dalley was in town last Tuesday and paid for the sweet corn furnished Burnham & Morrill's shop, some $9.000 was paid and the tax collectors and traders rejoice.

Lorenzo Smith has been visiting at C. B. and J. N. Smith's. He is the travelling salesman for Hoyt's Cologne in the South and West. He goes now to Kansas city and will work the territory to the Pacific coast. Has been at work for the firm a number of years.

West Bethel.

People are getting ready for cold weather.

The hill tops remaining covered with snow for several days reminds us that winter is only a little way back and soon will be here.

Those measles that we thought wasn't coming, have profusely made their appearance after eighteen and twenty days exposure, and the schools at the village and Flat have suspended for a while.

Ed. Mason, across the river, is sick of inflamation of bowels, but improving. Other sick ones previously reported are comfortable.

Dr. C. H. Cook is stopping with his mother, Mr. D. O. Holt, for a few days; he is also fitting glasses to people's weak eyes, a thing he can do to perfection.

N. W. Mason is at home from Berlin for a few days, is going back to work for the winter.

Threshing machines make few and short stops this season.

Mr. Andrew Stiles, 93 years old, was buried on the Flat last Wednesday.

Fryeburg.

Dr. W. B. Lapham and daughter, of Augusta, were the guests of Mr. John Locke over the Sabbath.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Lord, of Steep Falls, were at T. L. Eastman's.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Colby, of Denmark, were at church on Sunday.

The Misses Blake, who have resided with Mrs. W. B. Bradley, since her marriage, have returned to their home in North Bridgton.

Miss Mary Heald, of Lovell, is at Mrs. S. J. Bradley's and will probably remain till the house is vacated.

Mr. Charles Parsons has moved into one of the tenements over J. Locke's store.

The audience at the lyceum on Tuesday evening were entertained by Mr. Richardson's account of his trip to California, which will be continued another evening.

Miss Mary G. Seavey, of Conway Center, F. A., '86, is a student at Boston University, taking studies preparatory to the medical course.

The ground was white with snow on Wednesday.

Mr. Gardner Brickett, who resides in this village, died at North Fryeburg, on Tuesday.

The Congregational Circle met at J. C. Gerry's on Thursday with a full attendance.

Mr. James Swan, a native of this town, but long a resident in California, died in South Boston after a short illness. His body was brought to Denmark for burial. He leaves a wife (Nina Snow) and child.

Buckfield.

William C. Spaulding and wife of Carbou were at this place last week on their return from a trip to New York. Mr. Spaulding is a son of the late Sidney Spaulding and brother of Benjamin and Cyrus C. Spaulding. Mr. S. is one of the leading business men of Aroostook County.

The Methodist Society repeated their entertainment to a fair audience last Tuesday evening. The proceeds go toward the bell fund for the Methodist church.

Thursday was a busy day at the corn factory. The occasion was an enjoyable one for our farmers as they were paid for their corn at that time by the Trustees.

The ladies of the Baptist Sewing Circle will give a harvest supper at Reform Hall this (Tuesday) evening.

Charles Forster's family have broken up house-keeping and stored their household goods and will board in Portland this winter.

H. C. Ellis of Canton has moved onto the N. T. Shaw farm which has been considerably improved by its present proprietor, Hon. George D. Bisbee.

Dr. O. R. Hall has gone to Aroostook County on a business and pleasure trip.

Alfred S. Lucas of East Buckfield will spend the winter at Clifton, N. J., in the employ of Kimball C. Atwood.

Mrs. George W. Shaw of East Buckfield is critically ill and fears are entertained regarding her recovery.

C. B. Atwood and son are building an extension to their residence.

Atwood, Spaulding & Co. carry a good line of men's boys' and children's clothing.

Porter.

This has been a remarkable season. We had a very cold winter, a cold, wet, backward spring, a cold summer, and the fall—the oldest person never saw the like, cold and stormy all the time. Wednesday we had another snow storm. Now we are wondering if the winter soon to come is going to be in like proportion.

The Democrats have a flag raising at Freedom, N. H., Thursday. Rather late but better late than never.

Frank Strout is not expected to live.

A. R. Roberts and son and Harrison French got five raccoons one night this week, four out of one tree, killing two at one shot.

Everett Wentworth has taken to himself a wife. He married a Miss Mains of Sebago.

Not much call for stock, prices runing low.

James Perry was found dead in his bed. He was an old man—aged 85 years.

West Sumner.

Fair weather once more.

Public examination of teachers at East Sumner, Saturday, November 3d, at 10 o'clock A. M. All teachers intending to teach in town the coming winter are requested to attend.

H. B. Chandler is very low.

William Chase would like to sell his mill property at West Sumner. Here is a good chance for some one to invest some money to good advantage.

The Highland Spring House has done a good business this summer. Mr. Bowker is much liked by the traveling public. Besides looking after the hotel Mr. Bowker carries on a farm one mile from home and handles quite a lot of colts.

Brownfield.

Plenty of rain interspersed with a little snow.

Funeral services at the Congregational church last Sunday in memory of the Misses Ricker who died last spring.

C. Cole, of Cornish, is teaching a dancing school at the Town hall.

The Democrats wear white hats trimmed I should say, with a band of black crape—mourning for Grover. The Republicans wear a cream white shade which is very flattering to some.

Mr. Samuel Wentworth, Mrs. Jesse Eaton, Miss Carrie Brown, Mr. W. Eaton, and Mrs. Osborn Stickney left town Tuesday for the far West.

Lovell

On Tuesday the Christian Circle ladies gave a Harvest feast and apron sale at the Town house. Proceeds $27.

Mr. John Farrington has not been so well for a few days past.

Walker and Bell are making extensive repairs and altarations on their store at the village.

C. H. Lewis is shipping large quantities of eggs now.

Orson Andrews is recovering from his late illness.

E. C. Andrews has returned to Portland.

North Fryeburg.

Gardner Brickett, formerly of Cold River, died last Monday night at the residence of his brother-in-law, Philip Pitman, which has been his home for some time past. He had been ill only a short time, his illness being pneumonia. Rev. Mr. Alvord conducted the funeral services on Friday.

Fire at South Waterford.

The farm dwelling house of Frank Knight of South waterford, known as the George Plummer place, was burned Sunday afternoon, Oct. 21st. Most of the furniture was saved. Insured.

The Art Premiums.

The following are the awards of premiums on paintings at the county fair:

Mrs. A. Z. Plummer, South Paris, oil paintings, 10, 10, 25, 20, 20, 20; Mrs. A. J. Plummer, Norway, lustre painting, 25; Eugene Rowe, Norway, 10; Mrs. A. Z. Plummer, South Paris, 10; same, 10; J. K. Chase, Oxford, photo work; Carrie Trull, Norway, 20; Mrs. S. D. Andrews, Norway, hollyhocks, 3d premium, $1.00; J. W. Swan, Norway, photo work; Mattie I. Richards, South Paris, oil painting, pisque, 2d premium, $3 00; same, gilded frame, $1 00; same, hand painted tidy, 20; same, porcelain pisque, 25; Mrs. Lucella Cummings, Norway, oil painting, 20; Lillian Young, Norway, hand painted toilet bottles, 50; Mrs. G. E. Hawkes, Oxford, 10; Mrs. C. F. Durell, Oxford, oil paintings, 1 00; Emily A. Chase, Norway, hand painted pisque, flowers, fruit, 25; Arthur H. Morse, Oxford, original design in water colors, 2d premium, water colors, 3 00; same, pencil drawing, 25; Mrs. J. S. Wright, Paris, oil painting, 20; same, 10; Sadie L. Blake, South Paris, 10; Anna Tuttle, South Paris, 50; Lee M. Smith, Norway, oil painting, 10; Mrs. James Crockett, Norway, 10; Mrs. A. T. Hobbs, Norway, 25; same, 10; Mrs. Wm. R. Howe, South Paris, 1st premium, oil painting, 5 00; Mrs. G. E. Hawkes, water colors, 1st premium, 5 00.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary, the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility in all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

Everybody is using B. I. R.

NORWAY.

The Beals House will be opened about the first of November.

George L. Beal's stand near Smiley Brothers known as the Billings house has been painted.

Edward R. Kneeland, who has been engaged as conductor on the horse cars in Portland the past summer has returned to this village.

Sunday, on a warrant issued by the Judge of the Norway Municipal Court, George D. Young, of Oxford, was arrested by Deputy Sheriff A. P. Bassett and Millard F. Haskell charged with having stolen goods alleged to have been taken from the store of one William C. Bridges at Mechanic Falls. The goods were identified by Mr. Bridges Monday at the Municipal Court room. The prisoner was arraigned, pleaded not guilty, waived examination until Monday, October 29th, and on default of $300 bail was committed to Paris jail. E. F. Smith for respondent. A. S. Kimball for complaint.

Z. B. Rawson, Esq., a graduate of Columbian Law School, Washington, D. C., is soon to locate in this village. Mr. Rawson was admitted to Oxford Bar at the October term of court this month at Paris.

Mrs. Charles H. Haskell is visiting this week at her daughter's, Mrs. Jones Danforth's at Oxford.

C. B. Cummings was at North Stratford the past week buying timber.

The Atkinson House Furnishing Company, of Portland, have leased the Masonic Block store on Cottage Street and have opened a branch store for the purpose of supplying every article used in keeping house. The store is well filled with first class goods. The management of this branch will be under J. A. Nickerson of this place.

The Baptist society of this village have taken active measures to build a church. Mr. Nathan W. Millett is circulating a subscription paper to obtain money for the purchase of a lot. We understand the society have about $1700 in the treasury. To this amount the State Baptist Association will add $2000, thus enabling the society to erect a $4000 church. The time for building next spring. The condition upon which they will receive the $2000 is that $300 is raised for a lot. The locality is not decided upon.

Verner M. Whitman, Judge C. F. Whitman's son, has engaged to teach the Pike's Hill school this winter. This is Mr. Whitman's first school and we bespeak for him success.

George W. Hobbs, of Revere, Mass., visited friends in town this week.

Rev. Fred M. Houghton and family of Deering, visited his mother this week.

Cyrus Kneeland, Representative to the next Legislature for the Albany District, has been stopping with his daughter, Mrs. David A. Jordan this week.

Harry Rust Post, No. 54, G. A. R., of this place will have a camp fire sociable on the evening of the 16th of November. The T. A. Roberts Post, G. A. R., of Oxford, will attend.

Dr. B. F. Bradbury has refused $1000 for the lot between his residence and the A. J. Never's store on Main Street.

There will be a meeting of the Ladies' Universalist Circle at Concert Hall Tuesday afternoon and evening. Supper at 6:30. During the evening Miss Jennie Danforth will give a few select readings. Promenade in the evening. Good music will be provided.

The Norway Republican headquarters at the Elm House were opened Saturday evening at 7 P. M. The attendance was large and the meeting a wide awake one.

We understand that the firm of Fred Emery & Co. at the falls are arranging a settlement with the creditors. They offer about 50 per cent.

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OUR PUZZLE CORNER.

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I.—PHONETIC CHARADE.

My *first* should you meet, he would flee
from your face,
And I fear, too, would win if you entered
the race.
You might search for his haunts, looking
under the fern,
Trailing over the meadows, and, weary,
return
Empty handed to hear from some comforting man,
He was seen on your head ere your travels
began.
But even, dear reader, when *next* you have
grown,
Please remember my *whole* as a king on
his throne
Whom his brother removed from the crypt
where he lay,
To cast in the Thames, the historians say.

SEA.

II.—WORD SQUARE.

1.—A river of Asia.
2.—A man who made a great invention which is utilized in the whole civilized world.
3 Something used in public worship, as well as in the home circle.
4 A river of America.
5 To repeat, or make again.

S. W.

III.—TRANSPOSITION.

A word that means "correct" transpose
And have what with a saddle goes.

TUPSEY.

IV.—A GARDEN.

If you were to plant the following seed, what would you raise?

1 To think about anything you have done with regret.
2 Frozen vapor which falls in flakes.
3 A word descriptive of a wise man.
4. A ferocious monster who shuts his ugly jaws quickly.
5. A saccharine walking stick.
6 The food of the gods, according to mythology.
7. A red color.
8 A place for ships to stop and load or unload their cargoes.
9. Something against which no country will brook an insult.
10 An emblem of peace or good-feeling.
11. To move forward in great haste.
12 An emblem of purity.
13 An aged single lady's optic.
14. Splendor of dawn.
15. An island.

DAB

V.—DIAMOND.

1. In tooth.
2. What you are sure to part with when you engage the services of a lawyer.
3 A word synonymous with courage.
4 A word, much used in poetry, which means before.
5 In tongue.

RHODA

VI.—CROSS-WORD.

In grog, not in gin;
In peg, not in pin;
In go, not in come;
In more, not in some;
In bring, not in carry;
In pause, not in tarry;
In saw, not in chop;
In stay, not in stop;
In must, not in may;
In cheese, and in whey;
In find, not in seek;
In strong, not in weak;
In grind, not in mill;
In j ist, not in sill;
In brown, not in black;
In spine, not in back;
Now study intent,
Find who was once President.

J. O. H. N.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLES OF LAST WEEK

1.—Household.

2.—
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3.—Horse-cars.
4.—Scolded, omelette, toast.
5.—Carpet.
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"Mamma," said the sweet little boy before admiring friends, "I knew as soon as I came in there was some folks visitin' here." "Did you, darling?" said the fond mother, trying to wilt him with her eye, "how did you know?" "Oh, you had your company voice on."

A WARNING.

The modes of death's approach are various, and statistics show conclusively that more persons die from diseases of the Throat and Lungs than any other. It is probable that everyone, without exception, receives vast numbers of Tubercle Germs into the system and where these germs fall upon suitable soil they start into life and develop, at first slowly and is shown by a slight tickling sensation in the throat and if allowed to continue their ravages they extend to the lungs producing Consumption and to the head, causing Catarrh. Now all this is dangerous and if allowed to proceed will in time cause death. At the onset you must act with promptness; allowing a cold to go without attention is dangerous and may lose you your life. As soon as you feel that something is wrong with your Throat, Lungs or Nostrils, obtain a bottle of Boschee's German Syrup. It will give you immediate relief.

Robert Louis Stevenson's New Moon.

It is, indeed, a strange and melancholy thing that the one branch of knowledge, which is apparently the subject of more profound popular ignorance than any other should be the noble and beautiful science of astronomy. The mistakes occurring in the works of Mr. Haggard and other writers with regard to the rising of the full moon and other such elementary matters, have recently been pointed out in the press. And the other day, when reading Mr. Stevenson's charming story, "Prince Otto," I came across the following:

"The night was warm and windless. A shaving of new moon had lately arisen, but it was still too small and too low down in heaven to contend with the immense host of lesser luminaries."

Mr. Stevenson is commonly supposed to be an accurate observer of nature, and yet here we have him writing of the new moon as having been "lately arisen," when, in fact, it must have been just about setting. But this is not all. By a sort of double-barreled blunder he makes the time of this remarkable rising to be about two o'clock, A. M., that is to say, when such a moon as he describes, (say, two days old) must have been, not merely invisible, but at its very lowest point below the horizon, midway between setting and rising.

HOMEMAKERS' COLUMN.

Correspondence on practical topics, coming properly under the head of this column, is solicited. Address all communications intended for this department to Editor of Homemakers Column, OXFORD DEMOCRAT, Paris, Me.

Stitches in Time

There is so much need of saving every moment possible for the better things that come into a life, when one belongs to the army of housekeepers, that I risk the chance of repeating what you have heard before, in jotting down a few suggestions from my own limited experience.

A wringer can have every particle of color removed from its rubber rollers, by the simple means of coal oil. Wash with a small cloth in coal oil, then with soap suds.

The whisk broom is available in many ways. A small one makes a clothes-sprinkler. I used one in cleaning the wood-work in my large rooms. There were many crevices cut in bases and in panelling under the window-seats; and with clear cold water and a whisk I made them clean in a remarkably short time; and, though warned that I would ruin the graining, I found the paint entirely uninjured by the process. I sweep the walls and ceilings, and the stairs with a whisk. I also clean wooden or tin utensils that need scouring, (particularly a hideous square churn invented by some evil genius) with a stiff whisk. I apply paste to wall-paper with a whisk, and stroke it down on the walls with another with long soft bristles. I keep one always on the stove shelf to keep my cooking stove clean.

I find it saves time to make a memoranda of various kinds, and in my kitchen have a hook to hold a list of rainy-day jobs, odd jobs for leisure minutes for the farm men, work for the domestic, work for myself. If callers are announced and I leave my machine work, I have only to look over my list, and am instantly reminded of a little trifle that can be accomplished while I chat with my guest. I firmly believe it to be an infringement on our privileges to maintain the current belief that a hostess' hand must be idle in order to "do the polite" to her guest. Many precious minutes can be saved in this way, and the guest will not fail, if she be of average intelligence, to appreciate the motive. If she be not of that class, certainly it is not worth one's while to spend a single moment idly for her sake.

If there is a box for old silks and ribbons, one for lining materials, and others for various articles, time is saved in bringing to light all the different things needed in making or repairing. I find much repairing can be done on the machine, and surely if time is precious, the gain in beauty to a pair of patched overalls or knit drawers, isn't worth spending an unnecessary half hour. Rip the seams on both sides of the leg of the overalls, cut out the worn knee, set in a new piece, sew up the seams, and the tedious job is quickly done, without touching any needle save the one in the machine. Patches on knit goods should be held firmly, stretching as one sews, and with the tension rather loose, so that shrinkage will draw the patch. Hose cut over for children, I was taught to make by hand, and a preciously dull task it was to me. I now make them on the machine, using a short stitch and loose tension, stretching the seams as I sew. They do not rip either. If an inventor would show us how to sew on buttons, my life would doubtless be prolonged to a good old age.

I consider it my duty not to let pen and brush lie idle, not to drop my reading, to the end that by and by the babies of today will not be the women of to-morrow whose speech I cannot understand, because, while they moved on, I lingered behind to do in the old way what costs me the loss of their companionship in the life they are forced through their school-training to live.

E. M. G. H.

Willow-Spring.

Hints to Housekeepers

Never put the sweepings of the room into the waste-paper basket.

When sponge cake becomes dry it is nice to cut in thin slices and toast.

A cup of hot water drunk before meals will prevent nausea and dyspepsia.

To set the black in home-colored woolen goods so it will not smut, soak the goods or wool over night in sweet milk, wring it out and dry, then rinse well through water and the color will be as fast as can be.

Peach stains may be removed by putting the article in boiling water before washing it. When the suds have once touched them the stains are set and cannot afterwards be removed.

To cure warts take an Irish potato and cut a piece off the end and rub on the wart two or three times a day, cutting a slice from the potato each time it is used. Very often one potato is sufficient for the cure.

To clean bottles, put into them some kernels of corn and a tablespoonful of ashes; half fill them with water and after a vigorous shaking and rinsing you will find the bottles as good as new.

A nice accessory to a closet without drawers, suitable for laying in a nice dress, is to make one or more bags to cover the dress, and thus protect it from dust. These bags are made longer than the dress skirt and button up and are hung up by loops.

For children there is nothing better than saffron tea for teething and fever.

To clean black dress goods, take an old black kid glove, cut into small pieces and let it stand over night in a pint of soft water. In the morning add as much more warm water as will be needed, also a few drops of ammonia. Have the goods well brushed, then with a sponge wet them on the right side with the water and rub quite hard; smooth with the hand and hang out of doors in the shade; when nearly dry iron on the wrong side.

Recipes.

WHITE CAKE.—Three cups of sugar, half a cup of butter, the whites of eight eggs, one pint of flour, a teaspoonful of baking-powder, and a teaspoonful of extract of lemon. Rub the butter and sugar to a cream, add the flour and baking powder, mix smooth, thin with a teacup of sweet milk, stir in the whites of the eggs beaten to a froth. Pour in a well-greased cake-pan, and bake in a moderate oven.

WHITE LADY CAKE.—One and a half cups of flour, one of sugar, half a cup of butter, whites of four eggs, half a cup of milk, teaspoonful of baking-powder. Flavor with extract of almond.

WHITE POUND CAKE.—One pound of sugar, one pound of flour, one of butter, whites of sixteen eggs and a tablespoonful of baking-powder. Flavor with lemon. Bake in a slow oven.

WHITE SOUTHERN CAKE.—Four cups of white sugar, one of butter, five of sifted flour, one of sweet milk, two teaspoonfuls of baking-powder, and the whites of sixteen eggs. Flavor with extract of rose. Bake in a very large pan. When cool, ice.

SILVER CAKE.—One cup of sugar, half a cup of butter, one and a half of flour, half a cup of milk, whites of six eggs, teaspoonful each of baking-powder and lemon extract.

ANGEL'S FOOD.—Take the whites of eleven eggs, one and one-half tumblers of sifted powdered sugar, one tumbler of sifted flour, one teaspoonful of baking-powder; sift four times, beat the eggs to a stiff froth on a large dish, add the sugar very lightly, then the flour, flavor with vanilla, beat until poured in a pan. Bake in a pan which has never been greased, in a moderate oven for an hour. When done, turn upside down to cool. Take out by loosening around the sides with a knife. Ice when cold. This is a delicious cake.

SUNSHINE CAKE.—One and one-half cups of white sugar, one of flour, one teaspoonful of baking-powder, and the whites of eleven eggs. Flavor with extract of orange. Bake carefully.

BRIDE'S CAKE.—Two pounds of flour, two of sugar, one of butter, whites of twenty eggs, half a teaspoonful of ammonia. Bake in a slow oven for two hours. When cold, ice.

ANGEL CAKE.—Beat the whites of eleven eggs to a stiff froth, into these sift one even cup of flour, and one even cup of powdered sugar. Add one teaspoonful of lemon or vanilla extract, and one of Royal baking powder. Beat ten minutes. Put in a deep, buttered dish, and bake, in a good oven, half-an-hour. Remove from the dish (which has been inverted upon a clean cloth on the table) when nearly cold and the Angel cake will be found just as satisfactory as with the regular. "Angel cake dish," and all the elaborate sifting of flour, sugar, and the like.

CREAM CAKE.—Break one egg into a cup, and fill it with thin sour cream. Mix it with a scant cup of sugar, one and one-half cups flour, one-half teaspoon soda, and a pinch of salt.

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Is Excitement Necessarily Injurious to Health?—Curious Evidence.

Whoever may have studied man's earthly tenure and the causes which tend to lengthen or curtail it, will have scarcely failed to notice how contradictory is the evidence of those we naturally look to to explain them, and that their evidence, even when they agree, does not always accord with what would seem to be the facts, as they appear around us. One authority says general physical development is necessary to prolong life, while another insists this is not required if the day's employment does not call for physical exertion.

Dr. Richardson, an eminent English authority, whose remarks before the Sanitary institute of Great Britain on the storage of life have been largely quoted, declares, among many obvious though scarcely novel propositions, that everything that quickens the action of the heart, any kind of excitement, taxes and reduces the storage of life.

If this were said of those naturally feeble, or inheriting disease, or even of those leading sedentary lives, and living from day to day without the invigorating benefits of fresh air and exercise, it would seem reasonable, for one does not have to be a skillful physiologist to know that excitement affects the nerves as well as the heart. But is the statement strictly true when referring, as here, to the entire human family? Surely soldiers engaged in actual warfare and sailors in peace as well as war live among excitements, besides being notoriously addicted to indulgences as to drinking and smoking, yet are they long lived. Statistics show it, and observation corroborates them. The pension list of the British army, giving the ages of the beneficiaries, men who have served in all climates for from twenty to forty years, and excluding those pensioned sooner because of "wounds received while in the performance of duty," shows that soldiers do not die as other men do; so it is with the naval pensioners of the Greenwich hospital, now scattered over Great Britain, because of its abolishment.

In the merchant service today it is no uncommon thing to find a man 70 years old in charge of a vessel—a post requiring activity of body as well as of mind. Here in New York we have the proof near us, for at Sailors' Snug Harbor, on Staten Island, are 800 aged but for the most part hearty sailors. Most of these are between 70 and 80; active old fellows they are, with clear minds and good appetites. They will tell you they are not by any means the sole survivors of our one time merchant fleet; that many, if not most, of their mates are yet living but distributed over the country living with their grandchildren, perhaps wherrying for a living or engaged in other employments along a water front. From this it would appear that a sound human body can withstand hunger and exposure, and even frequent excitement, if only there is plenty of fresh air and exercise of a vigorous kind thrown in.—Scientific American.

The Tipping Evil in Paris.

Tipping in Paris is occasionally carried to such lengths that even the natives object, and when a Frenchman objects to anything he is as persistent, if not as noisy, as an Englishman. I think tipping reached its highest point at the production of "La Fille de Mme. Angot" at the Eden theatre. It was a great performance, and the crush to get in was proportionately strong. Judic and Granier, the rival queens of opera bouffe, had at last been brought together in one cast, and the production included mounted horses on the stage and five or six hundred supernumeraries. Enormous sums were paid in salaries, and very considerable prices were charged for the seats. It was on this account, perhaps, that the ushers and serving women thought they were justified in raising their own banners. At all events, they made an onslaught upon the people which raised the ire of the most polished Frenchmen in the house.

My own experience is a fair example. I arrived late, paid the cabman, and tipped the porter, so as to get by him into the theatre. I do not believe that I could have entered the house otherwise. Then I bought my ticket, and was taken in hand by a woman who lugged me off to the coat room, gave me a check, and then sent me into the auditorium, after collecting a few sous for her own pocket. Another woman came forward, placed me in my seat, and held out her hand. Then a programme man sold me a highly colored satin card, which I discovered later on was minus the cast. Hence I had to buy another programme from him. Another woman who said she was a door woman came along and crowded past twelve or fifteen Frenchmen and said she wished to collect a few sous for some mysterious purpose or other. I have not yet found out what it was. I paid, and so did the others—more or less grumblingly—when we were all disturbed by the appearance of still another old woman with a similar plea. This was too much, and there was a general and shrill chorus of protestations. Still the woman held her ground with the most impudent and brazen manner, until the Frenchmen actually caught hold of her and hustled her out of the place.

It was the most insolent and impudent strike that I had ever seen. It is common enough over there, but the evil is so deep rooted in general that there is no chance of eradicating it. People grumble nevertheless.—Blakely Hall's Letter.

The Storage of Life.

When the hereditary faculty for the storage of life is implanted in an individual body for a few generations, it becomes, so to speak, an established principle, and the representatives of it, having once arrived past the period of life in which accidental deaths of various kinds are causes of mortality continue to live, often in opposition to the most adverse influences to the continuance of life, beyond the average term of life. The person gifted with this faculty of storage may be of fragile and delicate build of body, may even be deformed of body, may be of dull or of bright intellect, may be of cleanly or uncleanly habit, may be placed in what seem the most unfavorable position in life, or may be literally in want, and will yet continue to live on so as to see the whole of his or her more fortunate neighbors fall; nay, may even be so tired of the continuance of the monotony of the everlasting by recurring phenomena of life, as to be envious of the fate of the dead who have found their rest. The storage of life in those who possess it in the most marked degree is, and belongs to, continuance of the process of life, not to the power of resisting interruptions to it in and during periods of strength and youthfulness.—Dr. Benjamin Ward Richardson.

The English Method.

English Reporter (to Lord Salisbury's private secretary)—Would you kindly intimate to his lordship that it has come to the knowledge of the management of The Telegraph that he desires to express an opinion publicly on the probable outcome of the Parnell suits, and that I await his pleasure in that regard?

Private Secretary—I will tell his lordship. (Returns in half an hour with a roll of paper neatly tied with red tape.)—Pittsburg Chronicle.

People whose lungs are not strong need not necessarily get out of breath in climbing a slope or a pair of stairs. Before beginning the ascent, take a deep breath, at a certain distance pause and take another. I am assured if this is done correctly, no one need arrive at the end of the climb panting and gasping.

If you are afraid that your yeast cakes are a little stale, put one of them in a cup of warm water with a good pinch of hops; let this stand for an hour or so before using; it will have an excellent effect on the yeast and will insure good bread.

Care of the Nails.

The finger nails of Americans are likely to be dry and to break easily. Vaseline rubbed on the nails after washing the hands will do a world of good to dry nails. Manicures first bathe the hand a long time in hot water, then with scissors and knives clean and cut the nails, remove the superfluous skin about the onyx, then polish the nails with buckskin and fine powder, washing the hand again in hot water with soap. After drying, the nails are polished with a fine brush and are finally rubbed with a rosy unguent to give them a shell pink.—Good Housekeeping.

Treatment for Freckles.

No cosmetic, however well advertised, removes freckles. It may temporarily hide them, but it will be at the expense of the texture of the skin. A lotion of Jamaica rum and lemon juice is frequently effective, but strawberry juice applied at bedtime is decidedly the best, both for freckles and those annoying moth or liver patches. Strain the berries through a thin cloth and apply two or three times before going to bed. This is excellent for sunburn or redness of the skin, as well as for discoloration.—Lucy C. Lillie.

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